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# WE'VE COME A LONG WAY!

BY LIZ APPEL RINCK, Γ/BUTLER, EDITOR

NOTHING ENDURES FOR 125 YEARS WITHOUT EVOLVING TO MEET CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES. BUT SOME IDEAS ARE BETTER THAN OTHERS.

If you're a devotee of (or even just vaguely familiar with) *Sesame Street*, the ground-breaking children's TV program co-created by Joan Ganz Cooney, Beta Delta/Arizona, you know that each new episode introduces a vocabulary word. In earlier years, each episode was "sponsored" by a numeral or a letter of the alphabet. This word, letter, or numeral then served as a framework for other segments of the show.

As someone who loves learning new words, not to mention *Sesame Street*, your editor toyed recently with the idea of using a word as the thematic basis of each issue of the Theta magazine. Most of you will be relieved to learn that I thought better of the idea, realizing that just because something works for a charming television show doesn't mean it will also work for a fraternity publication. It's nice when common sense prevails!

I am compelled, though, to share with you a word I learned in conjunction with this issue—*quasiquintennial*. In its noun form, this means 125th anniversary, and it has all the attributes of a great word. It has limited application; it's difficult to pronounce; and it isn't even listed in my favorite Webster's New World Dictionary.

It also has relevance to those of us who read or work on this magazine because the year 2010 marks the quasiquintennial of *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*.

Hard to believe, isn't it? She looks so young. In fact, to contemporary eyes, this issue of the Theta magazine is quite a bit more youthful in appearance and attitude than the inaugural issue, which was modeled on scholarly journals of the day and featured poems, essays, and not a single illustration of any sort. Until 1910, there were no photographs on interior pages, only line drawings, and the first cover to be graced by a photograph was published in 1929. An ink color other than black made its first cover appearance in 1951 (as background), while the first color photographs appeared in 1976.

It's quite something to have survived 125 years and to be able to say—with accuracy as well as pride—that we've come a long way. To mark this milestone, the Through the Years columns in each issue of 2010 will focus on the history of the Theta magazine. Future columns will cover how our publication has evolved graphically and articles/letters from college chapters about their activities and accomplishments. This issue's Through the Years column, which you can find on page 32, concentrates on the Fraternity's 19 editors, each of whom placed her own stamp on *The Magazine*. Some of their ideas and innovations were more successful than others, but all were put into practice with love and careful thought.

Those readers who are more interested in recent history than our publication history will want to turn to page 20, which begins "State of the Fraternity 2009," a report on the initiatives and achievements of the past year. Readers with college-aged women in their lives, whether relatives or daughters of friends, will be interested in the Member Recruitment Guide (beginning on page 12) which explains the process for submitting a letter of reference as well as a legacy introduction form.

The customary profile article, which begins on page 16, has something for nearly every reader. It's a fun success story, featuring—of course!—a Theta, as well as gorgeous photographs of food, gardens, and animals.

In its very first issue, *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine* published "chapter letters" as a means for college chapters to communicate what their members were doing. Today, in each spring issue, we include brief articles from both college and alumnae chapters for the same purpose. "Chapter Chronicles," which begins on page 35, relates happenings in 23 alumnae chapters and 30 college chapters, and it's an interesting read, even for those who aren't members of any of the chapters. So—125 years later—many things have changed, but many other things remain the same. This is true in both our magazine and our Fraternity. ♦

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YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW, KAPPA ALPHA THETA EXISTS TO NURTURE EACH MEMBER THROUGHOUT HER COLLEGE AND ALUMNAE EXPERIENCE AND TO OFFER LIFELONG OPPORTUNITY FOR SOCIAL, INTELLECTUAL, AND MORAL GROWTH AS SHE MEETS THE HIGHER AND BROADER DEMANDS OF MATURE LIFE.



## MANY HAPPY RETURNS

Congratulations to the following alumnae and college chapters, which are celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2010.

### 100 YEARS

Baltimore Alumnae Chapter  
Omaha Alumnae Chapter

### 50 YEARS

Albuquerque Alumnae Chapter  
Phoenix Alumnae Chapter

### 25 YEARS

ES/UC Irvine

## THETAS HONORED AT NPC BIENNIAL MEETING

At the annual meeting of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), Anne Humphries Arseneau, Beta Lambda/William & Mary, was honored as Outstanding Panhellenic

Advisor for her work at the College of William and Mary. Cindy Heine Stellhorn, Beta/Indiana, and her staff at MJ Insurance were recognized for their dedication to NPC by the presentation of the Risk Management Awards, sponsored by Kappa Alpha Theta. Recipients of this award were Missouri State University, Virginia Commonwealth University, and Kansas State University.

Also at the meeting, delegates from the 26 NPC-member groups considered resolutions, including options in determining total and addressing campus alcohol culture.

The National Panhellenic Conference was established to assist college and alumnae chapters of its member groups, to cooperate with colleges and universities, and foster interfraternal relationships. It promotes the values of and serves as an advocate for its member groups in collaboration with those members, campuses and communities.



Ann  
Humphries  
Arseneau,  
Beta Lambda/  
William &  
Mary

## VOLUNTEER FOR THETA!

National Volunteer Appreciation Week is April 17-24. You can learn more about volunteering for Theta at [www.kappaalphatheta.org/whatsnew/volunteerfortheta/](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org/whatsnew/volunteerfortheta/). In addition to an explanation of the opportunities available, there's an online interest indicator.

## THETA MEMBERSHIP CARD

Many of our chapters graciously welcome members of other Kappa Alpha Theta chapters as guests at their chapter's facility. It is up to each chapter to determine how and in what fashion it will extend courtesies to guests. Please remember that the showing of a Kappa Alpha Theta membership card does not entitle the holder to special privileges such as free lodging.

## REUNIONS ANNOUNCED

Omicron Thetas, please note the following dates. April 30 (1990s and 2000s): mocktails and dinner at the chapter facility; May 21 (1970s) sleep-over at the facility; May 22 (1980s) sleep-over at the facility. Invitations will be sent. For more information, contact Jennifer Barberie ([jrubaradt@earthlink.net](mailto:jrubardt@earthlink.net)).

## PLANNING A REUNION?

Place a reunion notice in *The Magazine* and on the Theta website. Mail a brief notice to Reunions, *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*, 8740 Founders Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268, and e-mail [webmaster@kappaalphatheta.org](mailto:webmaster@kappaalphatheta.org).

Notices for reunions to be held May through July must be received by January 31; for August through October, received by April 11; for November through January, received by July 11; and for February through April, by October 23. ♦

Learn about upcoming reunions at  
[www.kappaalphatheta.org/whatsnew/  
events/reunions](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org/whatsnew/events/reunions)

## WHAT'S NEW?

Is there some exciting news about yourself or your chapter that you'd like to share with other Thetas? Let us know! A submission form may be found in *The Magazine* area of the Theta website, or you may send items via e-mail or snail mail to the editor. Addresses are listed on page 2. Please include your name and chapter of affiliation with each submission.

## WRITE TO US

Do you have a comment about an article in this or any other issue of *The Magazine*? Do you know an accomplished Theta who would be a good subject for a profile article? Do you have a Theta issue on your mind?

Then let us hear from you! We are pleased to receive letters from our readers; we value your input. Correspondence by regular mail or e-mail may be sent to the editor. (See page 2 for addresses.)

## THE MAGAZINE ONLINE

Receive e-mail notification when *The Magazine* is posted online! Complete the online Update Magazine Preferences form.



**A message from  
Katie Busby  
EZ/Mississippi,  
Fraternity President**

## KAO INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER DAY APRIL 19, 2010

As Fraternity President, I would like to thank each and every Theta who volunteers her time and talents to the benefit of our Fraternity. Fraternity volunteers have shaped Kappa Alpha Theta to be the premiere woman's Fraternity. Your selfless contributions demonstrate our noble ideals and fulfill the true promise of Kappa Alpha Theta. In recognition of your volunteer efforts, this day is dedicated to you. On behalf of Grand Council, thank you!





HIT/Case Western Reserve



ΓΩ/Auburn

## EXPLAINING THE FHC

### THE FRATERNITY HOUSING CORPORATION HOLDS TITLE TO OR RENTS PROPERTY FOR SPECIFIC COLLEGE CHAPTERS

In the spring of 2007, Kappa Alpha Theta established the Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity Housing Corporation (FHC) in order to enhance chapters' housing options. Other NPC and NIC groups have and are establishing national housing corporations, and Theta has joined this ever-growing group. Currently, the FHC manages 21 properties, ranging from two large houses to storage units to university-owned facilities.

### WHAT IS THE FHC?

The Fraternity Housing Corporation is a subsidiary of the Fraternity that was established to maintain safe and attractive facilities for our chapters. Our alumnae are very valuable volunteers who work on advisory boards and facility corporation boards (FCB) for our chapters. It is sometimes difficult, however, to find enough volunteers to qualify a board to remain a legal entity. The FHC was created to resolve this issue.

### WHAT TYPES OF FUNCTIONS DOES THE FHC PERFORM?

Typically, the FHC performs the same functions that a local FCB does; for example, establishing rent and facility fees, employing the facility director and other employees, maintaining the payroll, providing property management and maintenance, and being responsible for capital improvements.

The FHC is also the model of choice for new and re-colonized chapters. When the Fraternity re-colonized the Gamma Omega Chapter at Auburn in the spring of 2009, Karen Ledbetter, interior designer for the FHC, worked with local alumnae to decorate our suite in the new Greek Village. She also completed projects at the Eta Rho Chapter at James Madison and the Eta Pi Chapter at Case Western Reserve. She is currently working on the Gamma Mu Chapter facility at Maryland and the Beta Nu Chapter facility at Florida State.

Sometimes a capital campaign is conducted in order to raise funds so that the FHC can renovate and decorate facilities. The FHC needs local alumnae (and a professional fund-raiser as required) to help since they are the connection between the chapter, the FHC, and the campaign.

### WHAT IS THE LONG-TERM GOAL OF THE FHC?

The long-term goal of the Fraternity Housing Corporation is to be the central provider of housing resources for the Fraternity. While it presently concentrates on FHC facilities, the plan is to expand and serve FCB-owned facilities as well. Volunteer specialists work in various areas, including construction management, fund-raising, training, human resources, interior design, property management, and communications. Additional volunteers are always needed to supplement these roles, and interested Thetas will be trained in housing areas of interest which will help the chapters, the FHC, and the Fraternity.

### HOW CAN A THETA VOLUNTEER FOR THE FHC?

For more information about the FHC, please contact Zita Enloe, Gamma Phi/Texas Tech, FHCPres@kappaalphatheta.org. ♡

### KAPPA ALPHA THETA HOUSING

With more than \$165 million in property and \$7.3 million in annual income, facility corporation boards are responsible for a significant amount of investments. The day-to-day tasks of managing a facility demand a tremendous time commitment from Theta volunteers.



*Come sit beside the hearth with me. And we'll dream of the lasting friendship."*

— Sixty Years in Kappa Alpha Theta (1930)

Want more?  
[www.kappaalphatheta.org/fraternityhousing](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org/fraternityhousing)







**CHELSEA FOGLEMAN, MEGAN MCALLISTER, ABBY O'CONNELL, AND LINDSAY WIGGINS, ALL AX/PURDUE, AT THE CHAPTER FACILITY IN WEST LAFAYETTE, IND.**



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**A** Zeta Sigma Chapter at Ohio Northern teamed up with Delta Sigma Phi for the annual Rake and Run, when the chapter volunteers to rake leaves for members of the Ada (Ohio) community.

**B** Beta Kappa Chapter at Drake resurrected the Tri-Chapter Iowa State tradition: the chapter gets together with Beta Omicron Chapter at Iowa and Gamma Pi Chapter at Iowa State for a Theta weekend. The chapters went to Sleepy Hollow in Des Moines, Iowa, for hay rides, roasted marshmallows, and other Theta fun!

**C** Members of Delta Upsilon at Eastern Kentucky are pictured at the university's 2009 homecoming celebration.

**D** Janice Hartsough Brennan, B/Indiana, house director for Gamma Chapter at Butler and breast cancer survivor, took part in The Weekend to End Breast Cancer, a 38-mile walk in Indianapolis. As she approached mile 12, she was surprised by Gamma Chapter Thetas, who had volunteered 75 service hours at the event.

**E** Arlene Santos, ZN/UC Davis, made steamed wonton purses at the Westchester Alumnae Chapter's Pampered Chef fund-raiser.

**F** The Key West Alumnae Chapter was established on July 15, 2009, and celebrated its installation service in the fall.

**G** The Concord (NH) Alumnae Chapter celebrated Founders Day at Manchester Country Club.

**H** Becky Sickler McMullen, Gayle Brotherton Stephenson, Melissa McCormick, Lisa Hamlin Vieira, Nikki Armanino Clay, and Caitlin McCarty, all of ΓΣ/San Diego State, celebrated the opening of the university's alumni center. The chapter's support was recognized on a pillar outside of the center.

**I** Ellen Sheetz, Γ/Butler, and Jessica Maurer, HP/James Madison, met and lived together on a study-abroad trip to Costa Rica.

**J** The Westfield Alumnae Chapter featured

## THETAS OF NOTE



**JANE CHADWELL DELONY, AH/VANDERBILT**, celebrated her 90th birthday in 2009! She has been the permanent alumnae secretary for Alpha Eta Chapter at Vanderbilt for more than 40 years and is still an active golfer and tennis player.



**KATIE DOANE, Γ/BUTLER**, is currently serving her second year in the Peace Corps, teaching English to teachers in Mozambique. To celebrate her one-year anniversary in the program, Katie climbed Mount Kilimanjaro.



**AMY LOU FARRIS, ΓΣ/AUBURN**, has ranked in the top two percent of all ROTC cadets in the country. The ranking is based on Farris's physical fitness, academics, and leadership success in her Army ROTC program.



**LOUISE PHIPPS SENFT, ΔX/VIRGINIA**, has graduated from the Leadership Maryland Class of 2009. It is an independent, educational leadership development organization that informs top-level executives about critical issues facing Maryland.



**ELISE SMITH, ΓΨ/TEXAS CHRISTIAN**, is an active figure on her campus. A staff member on TCU's student broadcast, News Nine and a figure in the university's national ad campaign, Smith was crowned homecoming queen this October.





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storyteller Tracey Robinson,  $\Gamma\Gamma$ /Rollins, at its June meeting. Robinson transformed into Lady Dibble and entertained the crowd with an original story.

**K** Jean Smith Mathews (pictured),  $\Delta\mathbf{H}$ /Vanderbilt, maintained a close relationship with two other Alpha Eta Chapter members, Virginia Sturdivant Dodson and Mary Helen Henry Rose, for many years. When her two friends passed away, Jean decided to donate a beautiful Waterford crystal bowl to the Alpha Eta Chapter in their memory. Marie Dodson Maxwell,  $\mathbf{B}\Sigma$ /SMU, the daughter of Virginia; Betty Smith Dobson,  $\Delta\mathbf{H}$ /Vanderbilt, Jean's sister; and Ann Browning Lara,  $\mathbf{B}\Sigma$ /SMU, the daughter of Mary Helen, met at the chapter facility to

present the gift to the chapter.

**L** Beta Lambda Chapter at William & Mary welcomed nearly 100 alumnae to the chapter facility for the annual homecoming reception following the college's homecoming parade.

**M** Delta Epsilon Chapter at Arizona State celebrated its 50th anniversary with a celebration at the chapter facility. Collegians and alumnae from all decades were in attendance.

**N** Palos Verdes Alumnae Chapter members volunteered to build a house in southern California in May 2009. Volunteers included Vall Schofield Light,  $\Gamma\Sigma$ /San Diego State; Melissa Laird Walker,  $\Delta\mathbf{E}$ /Arizona State; Sheila Johnson Cottle,

$\Delta$ /Illinois; Amanda Duddleson Calhoun,  $\mathbf{O}/\mathbf{USC}$ ; Debbie Mitchell Bailey,  $\Gamma\Sigma$ /San Diego State; Nancy Fifer Black,  $\mathbf{T}/\mathbf{Northwestern}$ ; and Laura Lynn Barber Porter,  $\mathbf{EE}/\mathbf{Baylor}$ .

#### Not pictured

The Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter participated in a yoga/pilates class led by certified personal trainer and alumnae chapter president Beth Toon Lohman,  $\Gamma$ /Butler.

Seniors from Beta Iota Chapter at Colorado were honored at a senior service that was conducted by members of the Denver and Flatirons Alumnae Chapters.



**MELISSA SEANARD**,  $\Delta\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{LSU}$ , has founded Let's Geaux Green, a recycling project that collects cardboard and plastic food and beverage containers at LSU's Tiger Stadium, collecting nearly 10.5 tons of recyclables campus wide.



**KIM RITTBURG**,  $\mathbf{BH}/\mathbf{PENNSYLVANIA}$ , has founded k ritt jewelry. Rittberg's collection is available at Henri Bendel and has been worn by celebrities such as Kristin Chenoweth and Kim Cattrail. [www.krittjewelry.com](http://www.krittjewelry.com)



**LEXIE MCFARLAND KELLY**,  $\mathbf{X}/\mathbf{SYRACUSE}$ , has started Timmy's Town Center, an Association of Children's Museums member, dedicated to the creation and operation of a children's museum in Northeast Pennsylvania.

The Center was created to honor Kelly's son Timmy, who died of cancer at age 5. <http://tim-mystowncenter.org>

Case Western Reserve has recognized **PATRICIA BALDWIN KILPATRICK**,  $\Gamma^{\Delta}/\mathbf{OHIO WESLEYAN}$ , with a special oil-painted portrait, to be displayed on campus, in honor of her longstanding dedication. Kilpatrick was the university's first female vice-president.





**THE 1966 NEW MEMBER CLASS OF ALPHA CHI CHAPTER AT PURDUE HELD A REUNION IN INDIANAPOLIS. THE WOMEN TOOK A DAY TRIP TO WEST LAFAYETTE, IND., TO VISIT THEIR ALMA MATER AND TOOK A PHOTO AT THE BOILERMAKER SPECIAL.**



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## THETA REUNIONS

**A** Babs Darrah Moody, Jean Rouse Cowley, Anne McKay Kaminski, Mary Ellen Hewitt James, Bev Benedict Trucks, Nancy Anderson Guthrie, Connie Mohr Sperry, Nancy Beals Cook, Nancy Yarnall Schutte, Jean Juday Salwen, Carolyn Leeman Jenkins, and Genie Sparrow Schauerte, alumnae of Beta Pi Chapter at Michigan State, celebrated their 50th reunion in Gaylord, Mich.

**B** More than half of the members of the 1959 class of Alpha Theta Chapter at Texas celebrated its 50th reunion at the chapter facility.

**C** An Indianapolis reunion was held for alumnae of Tau Chapter at Northwestern. The women, who came from California to Massachusetts, have been meeting annually for 30 years. Pictured are Barbara Melin Walker, Marjorie Nelson Platou, Cynthia Peirce Fulenwider, Patsy Smith Kennedy, Gloria Borglum, Alice Tucker Wathne, Marjorie Teetor Meyer, Barbara Melgaard-Grissen, and Jane Collins Wilkerson.

**D** Barbara Murfin Murphy, BI/Colorado State; Ann Wilkin Crow, Tiffany Crow Ryan, Kelly Thompson Rapp and

Elizabeth Corley Edwards, all K/Kansas; and Barbara Wilkin Shepard, AY/Washburn, gathered for a baby shower.

**E** Psi Chapter alumnae from Wisconsin had a June reunion in Washington, DC.

**F** Alumnae of Gamma Xi Chapter at San Jose State gathered for their annual Pansy Party at Incline Village, Lake Tahoe. Pictured are Nancy Hardy Drew, Charlotte Cuneo Patrick, Betsy Amick Rhodes, Nancy Cuneo Diez, Elizabeth (Zibby) Hayes Jones, LaVerne Kneeshaw Schmidt, Pinky Stone Brady, Barbara Lehr Jones, and Shirley Allen Douglas.

**G** The 1988 class of AA/Washington celebrat-

## THETA AUTHORS



**KATHARINE CRAWFORD ROBEY, W/WISCONSIN**, has written *Hare and the Big Green Lawn*, a children's book that, through four touching characters, teaches kids how to grow a meadow in their own lawn.



*Engaging Learners Through Artmaking: Choice-based Art Education in the Classroom* was co-written by **KATHERINE UGLOW DOUGLAS, TM/MARYLAND**, and Diane Jaquith. [www.tlcpres.com](http://www.tlcpres.com)



**CLAUDIA BROOME, BN/FLORIDA STATE**, has written *The Tail of Rugby Jones: A Rascal's Journey from Disability to Ability*.



In 1939, **CAMMIE KING CONLON, O/USC**, played Bonnie Blue, the daughter of Rhett Butler (Clark Gable) and Scarlett O'Hara (Vivien Leigh) in the film *Gone With the Wind*. Now, 70 years later, Conlon has written

*Bonnie Blue Butler: A Gone With the Wind Memoir*, which tells of her experiences with cost-mates both on and off the set.

**JUNE LYON SHOMAKER, AI/WASHINGTON-ST. LOUIS**, has co-authored *Getting to Goal: Quarterbacking the Capital Campaign for Nonprofit Organizations*. The book prepares leaders of nonprofits for the organization and implementation of a capital





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ed turning 40 with a trip to Las Vegas. Attendees included Sarah Smith, Paige Russell Dunn, Molly McCabe Black, Stephanie Moix Harlow, Sara Szczech Rollo, Jennifer Ely Brunner, Natalie Muecke Massarotti and Valerie Foster Pontiff.

**H** Alumnae of Delta Iota Chapter at Puget Sound got together on Orcas Island, near Washington state. Pictured are Jamie Jeffers, Katie Schwenoha, Rachel Lodine, Lauren Fenn, and Morgan O'Neal.

**I** Delta Epsilon Chapter alumnae from Arizona State gathered for a 30-year reunion in Scottsdale, Ariz. Thetas pictured are Mary Bullington Williams, Charlotte Turner Reese, Kitty Carr Rarrick, Brooks Biddulph Martinez, Charla Adkins Aylsworth, Leslie Leichter

DeVore, Leslie Griffiths Roberts, Darcy Freeman Moran, Janet Schroeder, Karen Vanoosterhout Thomas, and Penny Fitkin Harper.

**J** Members of the 1977 initiation class of Beta Kappa Chapter at Drake gathered in Chicago for a reunion weekend. The alumnae came from as far as Alaska!

#### Not Pictured

Members of Alpha Chapter's 1980 initiation class reunited at DePauw for initiation weekend 2009.

Lacey Storer, Lara Hastings, Kate Collings Sweeten, and Whitney Clark, all of Delta Eta Chapter at Kansas State, reunited in Las Vegas recently.

Carolyn Jenkins Barta, Carlyn Grau

Poole, Nan Scott Miller, Suzy Hawkins Stockert, Susan Reynolds Petty, Suzy Wigginton Collett, and Sandra Cox Helton, all 50-year Gamma Phi Chapter alumnae from Texas Tech, met for a lunch reunion in Waco, Texas.

Members of the 1959 class of Alpha Omicron/Oklahoma, including Mary McKnight Williams, Robbie Tiffany Mantooth, Janet Crum Seay, Stefani Gurwell Schram, Elizabeth Prosser, Dorthlynn Dent Gaddis, Ann Whybark Braithwaite, Pilly Overlees Satterfield, Liz Morgan Reece, Sandy Fox Turner, June Leibenderfer Johnson, Susan McKean Teague, Carolyn Watson Tharp, and Helen Edwards Woodward celebrated 50 years of sisterhood in Norman, Okla.

campaign, one of the most important and ambitious fund-raising techniques for any organization.

**ANNE HELD REEVES, BFI/MICHIGAN STATE**, has written *Moments of Delight*, a collection of beautiful photographs and fun essays from all over the world. [www.momentsofdelight.com](http://www.momentsofdelight.com)

**BETA SIGMA/SMU alumna JENNIFER BOSWELL PICKENS** has authored

*Christmas at the White House*, a coffee table book with a personal forward written by **LAURA WELCH BUSH, BZ/SMU**. [www.christmasatthewhitehouse.net](http://www.christmasatthewhitehouse.net)

**SANDRA COE ABRAMS, AT/CINCINNATI**, has released *Your Idea, Inc.*, a book that outlines how to take your business goals from ideas to reality. [www.yourideainc.com](http://www.yourideainc.com)

**KARNA SMALL BODMAN'S**,

**H/MICHIGAN**, latest political thriller, *Final Finesse*, has been released in paperback. [www.karnabodman.com](http://www.karnabodman.com)

**GAYLE HASTINGS LANTZ, AZ/EMORY**, has authored *Take the Bull by the Horns: The Busy Leader's Action Guide to Growing Your Business...and Yourself*. The book, recognized as a finalist for the 2009 Indie Book Awards, offers motivated leaders 52 weeks worth of leadership ideas,

strategies, and insights.

**ANN JOHNSON TUDOR, A/DEPAUW**, has written *Hesitating at the Gate: Reflections on Aging*, a series of light-hearted, but ultimately serious, essays and poems on the journey to the Land of Old.

**MOLLY WENDELL, IZ/SAN DIEGO STATE**, has authored *The New Job Search: Break all the rules. Get connected. And get hired faster for the money you're worth...*, the

definitive new book on job networking. See Wendell's blog at [www.mollywendell.com](http://www.mollywendell.com).

In **TANYA EGAN GIBSON'S, I/CORNELL**, first novel, *How to Buy a Love of Reading*, Carley despises books. When her well-to-do parents learn of her "intellectual impoverishment," they hire failed author Bree McEnroy to write a book based on Carley's specifications to heighten her interest in reading. ♦





KAPPA ALPHA THETA'S TRUE PROMISE IS A VOW, A TWO-WAY PLEDGE BETWEEN THE FRATERNITY AND EACH OF HER MEMBERS. IT IS UP TO EACH THETA TO DISCOVER AND FULFILL THE PROMISE WITHIN HERSELF. SO, TOO, IS IT UP TO EACH THETA TO DETERMINE WHAT THE FRATERNITY WILL MEAN TO HER AND HOW HER MEMBERSHIP WILL CONTRIBUTE TO HER LIFE.

## HOW WILL YOU LIVE OUT YOUR **TRUE PROMISE?**

JEANNETTE BECKER LENYGON, TAU/NORTHWESTERN, IS A KAPPA ALPHA THETA WOMAN OF TRUE PROMISE.

Jeannette Becker Lenygon, Tau/Northwestern, had great taste and a reputation that earned her contracts with American royalty, including the Rockefellers. Aside from her celebrity clients, the New York-based interior designer was known as one of the most hardworking, forward-thinking American interior designers of her time. She was a founding member and fellow of the American Institute of Decorators, now the American Society of Interior Designers, and Chairman of the Institute's National Historic Preservation Committee.

In 1961, then-first lady Jacqueline Kennedy commissioned that committee to renovate the

White House library. Lenygon tackled the very demanding, very public, project with a grace and poise likened to that of Kennedy herself.

In the Winter 1962-63 issue of *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*, it was written, "In spite of Jeannette Lenygon's quite fabulous achievements, she remains lovely, modest, warmhearted, and a dear friend."

When lesser people may have buckled under the pressures of high society, Lenygon stayed true to her friends, her charming sense of self, and her promise to Theta. How will you live out your True Promise? ♦

*One should have and usually does have preconceived ideas, but it requires technical and practical training to carry out these ideas advantageously."*



# ALLISON TURNER A THETA OF NOTE



ALLISON TURNER, DELTA EPSILON/ARIZONA STATE, BEGAN WORKING FOR CASA IN COLLEGE. AFTER GRADUATING WITH A DEGREE IN JUSTICE AND SOCIAL INQUIRY, WORKING FOR A LAW FIRM, AND MANAGING A RESTAURANT, TURNER BECAME AN ADVOCATE IN CASA OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY. SHE NOW SERVES ON ITS STAFF.

## WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT SERVING AS A CHILD ADVOCATE?

One of my favorite things is simply listening to the dreams, hopes, and fears of a child. It's pretty amazing what some of these children have gone through, and yet they still find the capacity to look toward the future with optimism. All they need is one adult to believe in them. I also have to mention the memories. I advocate for a 14-year-old girl and have done so for the last two years. When we first met she was only 12 years old; watching her make the transition into her teens has been quite the ride.

## WHAT IS THE WORST THING?

The worst thing is seeing a young girl try so hard to live a carefree childhood, and knowing how difficult it is for her. Seeing the disappointment in her face when she tells me that her mom didn't make it to their weekly scheduled visit (again) is extremely hard. So is watching her fight the tears as she tells me that her dad has a new life now and that, somehow, she was completely excluded from the plan.

## WHAT IS THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF WHICH YOU'RE MOST PROUD?

I'm proud that I am able to work for a cause that I truly believe in and still pay the mortgage every month.

## WHO ARE YOUR HEROES?

My mother is amazing. She adopted my four-year-old sister at age 55, yet still finds the time to continue her career, flying across the world to China, India, and Japan for business. My beautiful new sister is my biological cousin. Her biological mother, who is actually my aunt, is struggling with a horrible addiction that nearly

took her life. My mother stepped up to raise her daughter. If more people were like my mom, there wouldn't be children falling through the cracks of the foster care system.

## WHAT TALENT WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO HAVE?

I would love to be a talented singer. Not that I would want to make it my career! I sing all the time, even though I'm not talented, and I'm sure it would be more enjoyable for my friends and family if I had a better voice.

## WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF IN 10 YEARS?

I hope I will be living somewhere beautiful, working to improve the future of that community.

## WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST IN YOUR FRIENDS?

Diversity. All of my friends are so different, each bringing something unique to the table. No one dish is superior to another; it is the full course that is so exquisite.

## WHAT IS YOUR FONDEST THETA MEMORY?

For Halloween, Hannah, my big sister, had the brilliant idea to be "hell on wheels" by dressing up as devils and cruising around on roller-skates. We were quite amused with our costumes until we arrived at the Theta Halloween Bash, which happened to be on the second floor of a downtown restaurant. How were we to climb stairs on roller skates? After one failed attempt, the restaurant owner stopped us and kindly escorted us through the kitchen where, low and behold, was an elevator. Hallelujah! ♦



## FUN FACT

Turner's boyfriend was born and raised in Hawaii. Their dog's name is Pu'a Lani, which means *heavenly flower* in Hawaiian.



**IMPORTANT: THE FRATERNITY ASKS THAT—WHENEVER POSSIBLE—THETAS USE THE ONLINE LETTER OF REFERENCE FORM, RATHER THAN THE FORM PRINTED HERE.**

For information about how to submit a letter of reference and a legacy introduction (including where to send the forms), please go to [www.kappaalphatheta.org](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org).

Log into the site and click on the **Recommend a Potential New Member** link on the left.

## Legacy Policy

Who is a Theta legacy? A Theta legacy is defined as a daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter or sister of a Kappa Alpha Theta. Stepdaughters, step-granddaughters, step-great-granddaughters and step-sisters are considered legacies if their family considers them as such and asks that they be considered as such on the legacy introduction form.

There is no such thing as an indirect legacy (i.e., cousin, niece, etc.), and such persons must not be given special consideration on the invitation list. However, they may have special knowledge of and interest in Kappa Alpha Theta and should be warmly welcomed and recruited.

All legacies receive an automatic invitation to the second round of recruitment. No legacy can be released after the first round of recruitment. The only exception is a legacy who does not meet the scholastic requirements, per the individual college chapter bylaws.

Following the first round of recruitment, the executive recruitment board (ERB) will meet to hold a legacy review. An advisor must be present. At that time, the ERB will ensure that each legacy met the average number of members met by all PNMs participating in recruitment for that round and received the average number of votes that day. All legacies should be met by at least two members of the ERB.

Following the second round of recruitment, the membership district director (MDD) should be contacted regarding legacies. If none are to be released, the MDD will be notified at this time. If a legacy is still below the natural break, the MDD will require that the chapter vice-president membership (VPM) provide certain information.

After the required questions have been answered, a legacy may be released if the MDD determines that she has been given special consideration and is not considered to be congenial or a potentially contributing member of the chapter.

All legacies who remain after the second round of recruitment will be invited to the additional rounds thereafter. No legacy will be permitted to be released after the third round of recruitment or any additional rounds thereafter.

There is no preferential treatment given to a "chapter legacy" or a "sitting sister" over a legacy from another chapter. ♦

## KAΘ Legacy Introduction

Complete this legacy introduction form and send it to the Theta chapter on the campus your legacy plans to attend.

*This introduction does not take the place of a reference.*

Please make sure a KAΘ Letter of Reference form is completed on behalf of your legacy.

To \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter

of Kappa Alpha Theta at \_\_\_\_\_  
COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

I wish to introduce my ☐ sister ☐ daughter  
☐ granddaughter ☐ great-granddaughter

LAST

FIRST

NICKNAME

She will be enrolling on your campus as a

☐ freshman ☐ sophomore ☐ junior ☐ senior

beginning \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Her school address will be \_\_\_\_\_

Her cell phone number is ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST

MAIDEN

LAST

Chapter/School \_\_\_\_\_

Year initiated \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE/PROVINCE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

  
KAPPA ALPHA THETA  
TRUE PROMISE



# Kappa Alpha Theta Letter of Reference

(To be used only by members of KΑΘ)

## What to send

Complete information about the potential new member's qualifications is essential and a picture of her is highly desirable.

## Where to send

If the potential new member lives in a recruitment reference board area, the letter of reference may be sent to the recruitment reference board chairman (RRBC) or directly to the chapter. If the potential new member lives in any other area, the letter of reference shall be sent directly to the chapter.

Do not send letters of reference to Fraternity headquarters.

## Who can send

Any alumna member in good standing may submit letters of reference.

Current undergraduate members in good standing may submit letters of reference for potential new members attending universities other than their own.

## Remember Theta and NPC Guidelines

Once recruitment has started, alumnae and collegiate members from other campuses must NOT contact members of the college chapter to inquire about progress. Such calls must be addressed to the chapter's membership adviser. Alumnae should neither expect to receive any information about the status of a specific potential new member nor expect to receive bid list information. Alumnae are also prohibited from sending food or gifts in any form to the chapter on behalf of a potential member. Breaking Panhellenic rules may cause the chapter to be penalized.

## I. Potential New Member Information

Name of Potential New Member	LAST	FIRST	MI	NICKNAME
Reference for	Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta at			
	UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE			
Entering as	<input type="checkbox"/> Freshman	<input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior
Age				
Hometown				
High School	NAME, CITY & STATE		Graduation Year	
Class Size	Class Rank	Scholastic Average	ACT/SAT	
College(s) Attended	NAME, CITY & STATE		GPA	
Campus Address	STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
Cell Phone	Parent(s) or Guardian(s)		FULL NAME	
			MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME, IF KNOWN	
Home Address	STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE

## II. Potential New Member Connections

A Theta legacy is defined as a daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter, or sister of a Kappa Alpha Theta in good standing. Stepdaughters, step-granddaughters, step-great-granddaughters and stepsisters are considered legacies if their Theta family member in good standing considers them as such and if the Theta asks that they be considered on the legacy introduction form.

Kappa Alpha Theta Legacy Information: ☐ sister ☐ mother ☐ grandmother ☐ great-grandmother

Please indicate if this is a step relation:

Name	FIRST	MAIDEN	LAST	Chapter
Name	FIRST	MAIDEN	LAST	Chapter
Other KΑΘ Relatives				Chapter
Other women's fraternity connections: Name	Relation		Fraternity	
Name	Relation		Fraternity	

## For RRBC Only

RRBC	Signature		
Address	STREET	CITY	STATE ZIP CODE
Comments	Phone and/or e-mail		

## For Chapter Use Only

Required written follow-up with sponsor or RRB:	
Acknowledged reference	by
Notification of outcome	by
New member information submitted online:	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
If pledged by KΑΘ, send this reference to Fraternity Headquarters within 14 days;	
if pledged to another NPC group on your campus, please destroy this reference. If not pledged to any NPC group, retain this reference for two years.	

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RECOMMEND A POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER



## III. Qualifications and Attributes



Please write your personal evaluation of the candidate you sponsor. Provide information and relate her qualifications to Kappa Alpha Theta's 4-Points of the Kite.

Please check and add comments and examples at right.  
(May attach sheet if space provided is not adequate)

**Scholarship**

- ☐ Honor Student  
☐ Enrichment Programs  
☐ National Honor Society  
☐ Likely to Finish College

**Personality**

- ☐ Good Moral Character  
☐ Loyal Member  
☐ Dependable

**Presentation**

- ☐ Socially Congenial  
☐ Compatible in a Group  
☐ Reserved/Quiet  
☐ Poised

**Leadership**

- ☐ Widest Influence for Good  
☐ Extracurricular Activities  
☐ Volunteer Activities  
☐ Leadership Abilities  
☐ Commitment

## IV. Suggested topics of conversation during recruitment

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## V. Endorsement

Please check applicable statements

- ☐ To my knowledge, this woman is not, nor has ever been, an initiated member of an NPC group.  
☐ I hereby recommend this woman for membership in Kappa Alpha Theta based upon:  
☐ My personal acquaintance with her. I have known her for \_\_\_\_ years.  
☐ My acquaintance with this woman is through her family. I have known them for \_\_\_\_ years.  
☐ I do not know the potential new member; information was secured from a reliable source (mutual friend, teacher, clergy, Panhellenic files, etc.). That source is \_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Initiated \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAPTER/DATE

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



# DEMYSTIFYING GRAND COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

**HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED HOW YOU COULD MAKE A SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE IN YOUR FRATERNITY? HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!**

It's time to begin the nomination process for the Grand Council that will be elected at Grand Convention 2010. As stated in the Kappa Alpha Theta Constitution, the first purpose of Grand Convention is to "... elect the members of Grand Council." These women will lead our Fraternity for the following biennium. By sending recommendations for Council candidates, you can be part of the selection process and thus influence the future course of the Fraternity.

## WHAT IS GRAND COUNCIL?

Grand Council is the governing body of the Fraternity between Conventions. The elected members of Grand Council are the Fraternity president and six Fraternity vice-presidents (of alumnae, college, education, finance and facilities, membership, and public relations). The Foundation President, elected by the Foundation Board of Trustees, also serves on Grand Council, ex officio.

The Nominating Committee is charged with creating a slate of nominees to serve in the seven elected Fraternity positions and with presenting that slate to the Convention body prior to the election.

## WHO SERVES ON THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE? HOW ARE THEY CHOSEN?

The Nominating Committee chairman, appointed by the Fraternity president with the approval of Grand Council, directs the work of the Nominating Committee. The vice-chairman of the Committee is similarly appointed and takes the chairman's place should she be unable to perform her duties. The Fraternity's executive director serves as the committee's secretary.

At the first meeting of Grand Convention, each district will elect one delegate to serve on the Nominating Committee. By random drawing, five districts will be assigned to elect college delegates as their representatives; the remaining four districts will elect alumnae delegates to serve on Nominating Committee. Only delegates from college and alumnae chapters in good standing at the time of Convention are eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee.

## HOW DOES THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WORK?

In the months leading up to Convention, the Nominating Committee chairman solicits information from Theta alumnae who are willing to

serve on Grand Council for the next biennium, as well as references from the Theta members, volunteers, and staff who have worked with those alumnae.

At Convention, between business and education sessions, the Nominating Committee will meet to review the information submitted by each Grand Council candidate as well as all references submitted about the candidates. The Committee will also interview each candidate in person (or via phone, if she is unable to attend Convention).

After evaluating the qualifications, skills, and strengths of the individual candidates and assessing the strengths of potential Council teams as a whole, the Committee creates a slate and presents it to the Convention.

## WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE SLATE IS PRESENTED?

The Fraternity president will call for nominations from the floor, which are allowed in our laws. After any such nominations, the alumnae and college chapter delegates will vote in an election run by the Election Board.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO SERVE ON GRAND COUNCIL?

According to our laws, any Theta alumna in good standing who is a college graduate is eligible to serve on Grand Council.

## HOW DO I MAKE MYSELF AVAILABLE FOR COUNCIL SERVICE?

If you are interested in being a candidate for Council service, visit the Convention area of the Theta website for more information and for the applicable forms. Contact the Nominating Committee Chair with any questions.

## WHO SHOULD SUBMIT REFERENCES FOR COUNCIL CANDIDATES?

All Thetas (collegians and alumnae) and Fraternity staff members who have worked with a candidate should submit a reference.

## HOW DO I SUBMIT A REFERENCE?

Visit the Convention area of the Theta website for the reference form. All references must be submitted online by May 21, 2010. ♦

## WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

The Convention area of the website has more information on Grand Council service, deadlines, candidate expectations, and reference guidelines. Visit [www.kappaalphatheta.org/nominations](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org/nominations). (Log in is required.)

## WHOM CAN I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

All questions can be directed to Jane Shepherd Dick, Epsilon Mu/Princeton, Nominating Committee chairman, [NCChair@kappaalphatheta.org](mailto:NCChair@kappaalphatheta.org).

*Perhaps the single most important aspect of the Nominating Committee is confidentiality. All recommendations and deliberations are held in strictest confidence."*



# RECIPES FOR SUCCESS

BY JAN SCHMITZ MATHEW, Δ/ILLINOIS

## AMY MCCOY LAUNCHED HER POOR GIRL GOURMET BLOG OUT OF NECESSITY AND FRUGALITY, NEVER DREAMING IT HELD THE INGREDIENTS FOR A NATIONALLY PUBLISHED COOKBOOK

Amy McCoy admits that her passion for food prepared the “real” way—from scratch and with fresh ingredients—was an acquired taste.

In second grade, she hungered for the flavors of processed snack foods, routinely swapping her homemade chocolate chip cookies for classmates’ Hostess Twinkies. And as a thirteen-year-old, McCoy recalls begging her mom to treat the family to some Swanson TV dinners.

But Mom, and Grandma, ultimately knew best. Decades later, McCoy credits their creativity, culinary skills, and commitment to using fresh ingredients as the recipe for her biggest success to date—*Poor Girl Gourmet*, a cookbook published by Andrews McMeel and due out in May.

“My family was always very focused on food,” says McCoy, Chi/Syracuse, and a native of Attleboro, Mass. “Our yard was small and not very workable for a big garden, but Mom ran a food co-op out of the garage. She always wanted to have the best food possible, at the lowest cost possible, which meant lots of fruits and vegetables.”

Her mom’s example, combined with The Villa Rosa, an Italian restaurant owned by McCoy’s grandparents, translated to kitchens where pasta, stuffed meatballs, and “amazing” spaghetti sauce were standard fare.

“Since Mom loved to do the cooking, I’d mostly just hang around,” says McCoy, who now lives in Rehobeth, Mass., which is about four miles from her mother’s home. “As I watched and learned, I also saw the enjoyment she and Grandma got from cooking and the happiness

that their food brought to others.”

This bountiful spirit, along with the generational principle of “doing a lot with a little,” underscore McCoy’s *Poor Girl Gourmet* blog, as well as the cookbook it inspired. Lane Butler, who is McCoy’s editor at Andrews McMeel, predicts that readers will savor *Poor Girl Gourmet* both for its range of inexpensive recipes (each meal for four costs \$15 or less) and for the personal stories that spice every page.

“Whether Amy is guiding you through her family recipe for Mom’s Meatballs and Not My Nana’s Red Sauce, passing along gardening tips, or telling you about the time she learned a painful and messy lesson on pureeing liquids in small batches, her warm, friendly, and engaging prose really draws you in,” says Butler.

“Amy truly loves food—growing it, preparing it, enjoying it, trying new things — and that love really comes through in *Poor Girl Gourmet*.”

### STARTING FROM SCRATCH

This level of affection, says McCoy, always simmered very close to the surface.

After graduating from Syracuse University with a degree in television/radio film production, McCoy climbed the ladder from production assistant to associate producer to producer by age 26. As a freelance broadcast and cable producer for the past thirteen-plus years, McCoy worked on graphic packages and on-air promotions for clients such as A&E, *The CBS Evening News*, Discovery Channel, ESPN, and The History Channel.



All photos by Amy McCoy

Want more?  
<http://poorgirlgourmet.blogspot.com/>



Yet, at the end of long days, food always beckoned.

"My job was stressful and required that I be very organized," she says. "I was the person who worked through all the moving bits—the clients and creative teams—and managed the budget and deadlines.

"I'd come home in the evenings, and start cooking a full meal at 8:30 PM. It was a creative release for me."

In late 2008, however, food segued from relatively frivolous to functional. Due to the economic slowdown, most of McCoy's clients opted to take production projects in-house, leaving her virtually unemployed. Although she needed to adjust spending habits (McCoy's husband, JR Richardson, works for an area contractor), McCoy was nevertheless unwilling to skimp in one area: quality food.

She decided to share her new approach to food budgeting via her blog, Poor Girl Gourmet. As her first entry explained:

"... I am playing a little game (which, perhaps, I am calling a game so as not to feel depressed that I really need to do it) whereby I am trying to feed my husband and myself for as little money as possible. However, a key part of 'The Game' is that our meals have to be interesting and not call out that we are drastically cutting our grocery spending. Not a psychologist, I, but this, in addition to referring to it as a game, seems also to be a tactic to keep us from being saddened at our current fiscal state."

"I had always liked to write, but hadn't done much of it since college," McCoy says. "My blog was a type of diary, and I thought at least a few of my friends would read it. I also thought it

**"Look,** just because you want to save money doesn't mean that you have to skimp on taste. My mission is to eat the best food I can while spending as little as possible. **”**







"Cooking doesn't need to be complicated to be good," McCoy explains, "and when you use good ingredients, you get good results."

would be a step toward building my portfolio and, down the road, would help me land some food writing assignments."

That particular road proved considerably shorter than expected. A friend in the publishing business took an interest in the Poor Girl Gourmet blog and referred the site to an editor. From there, the process fast-forwarded: McCoy signed a cookbook deal in March 2009 with Andrews McMeel, and the first round of manuscripts were finalized five months later, in August.

Concurrently, about 300 followers subscribe to her Poor Girl Gourmet blog, and the site typically gets more than 700 hits a day. The appeal, McCoy theorizes, is simplicity.

"Cooking doesn't need to be complicated to be good," she explains, "and when you use good ingredients, you get good results. Anyone who is at all interested and creative can learn to cook. Start at a friendly place and, as you grow with it, you'll experiment more and become more creative."

"I could live my entire life and still not make all the things I want to make."

## THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF FOOD

A self-described "food nerd," McCoy admits to being very focused, and even a bit obsessive, about particular ingredients.

"I have a very intense personality, and when I'm interested in something I get extremely passionate," she says. "For instance, I was amazed by the many varieties of cucumbers, and went on a big cucumber kick for awhile. Right now, I'm on an oatmeal kick."

McCoy's particularly interested in researching how the cooking traditions of various immigrant groups impacted American cuisine and, eventually, how these traditions assimilated into our culture. It's a

subject she may consider teaching, too.

For the time being, however, days are dominated by food, in all its forms. About five years ago, McCoy and JR became "inadvertent" poultry farmers, investing in laying hens that double as pets. Last summer, they added chickens to the fold. "They are definitely not pets," says McCoy, laughing. "They're huge, and they look more like small white dogs than roosters." Raised for meat, the chickens average about seven pounds.

Poultry, plus their large garden, fit well with Rehobeth's status as a "Right To Farm" community. Basically, the designation means that when developers build houses, the rights of the farmer neighbors to continue farming take precedence over homeowner complaints about farming activities, such as odor and noise. "It makes us feel much less guilty about our roosters crowing loudly each morning!" McCoy says.

Up with the first squawk, McCoy's day typically starts in her studio, a barn renovated by her husband and brother-in-law. Here she tackles new recipes, takes photos of the finished products and, by mid-afternoon, writes her daily blog post. McCoy generally plans recipes about a week or two in advance, and does a couple of trial runs prior to the final presentation.

She's concocting another book idea, and is certain her future holds food, versus television production.

"Even after the economy rebounds, I'll still prepare food that's simple and close to where it originated," McCoy says.

"My grandmother and mother capitalized on each season's bounty by buying the freshest and best ingredients they could afford, and turning them into something better."

"That type of classic cooking will never go out of style." ♦



THEN AND NOW

Top: Amy McCoy and Abbe Thorner celebrate their initiation. Below, McCoy's—*Poor Girl Gourmet*, a cookbook published by Andrews McMeel and due out in May.



## POOR GIRL GOURMET RECIPE

### MOM'S MEATBALLS

Serves 4 with leftover meatballs, \$10 - \$15

My meatballs are an interpretation of my mother's meatballs, which are—and I don't say this lightly—the World's Best Meatballs: super-moist and chock full of soft Italian bread.

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, plus more for oiling the baking sheet

1 medium yellow onion, finely chopped

2 cloves garlic, finely chopped

1 pound ground meat (see Note)

5 to 6 slices white Italian bread (see Note)

1/2 cup milk (not skim)

1/2 cup freshly grated Pecorino Romano cheese

3 tablespoons dried oregano

2 large eggs

Freshly ground black pepper

Kosher salt

1. Heat the oil in a skillet over medium heat; add the onion and garlic and sauté until the onion is just translucent, 3 to 5 minutes. Remove from the heat and set aside to cool.

2. Preheat oven to 350°F.

3. In a large mixing bowl, press the ground meat around the bottom of the bowl making a flat little plateau for the bread to lie upon. Lay 2 to 3 pieces of bread on top (as many as you are able, given the size of your mixing bowl) and drizzle milk over the bread until it is soaked through. It may take less than 1/2 cup. Mash the soaked bread into the meat with a fork or your hands. Repeat with 2 to 3 additional pieces of bread.

4. Add oregano and Pecorino Romano and mix them into the meat mixture with a fork or your hands. Add onion and garlic, combining well, then add the two eggs, one at a time, mixing well after each addition. Season with pepper. You will have a very wet mixture on your hands, and this is what you want.

5. Lightly oil a 10 by 15-inch rimmed baking sheet.

6. Using your hands, form the mixture into rounds that fit comfortably in your palms. They'll be between two and three ounces—a perfect serving size—or a half a serving size, depending upon how you look at it. Place them in rows of three across the baking sheet—you should have 12 or so meatballs when all is done.

Bake the meatballs until they are lightly browned, 35 to 40 minutes. Allow the meatballs to cool on the baking sheet for 5 to 7 minutes.

**Note:** Mom uses beef in her meatballs. I use a blend of pork, veal, and beef. Go ahead and use turkey if you don't do red meat. As for the bread, you want a soft bread for this, so super-market varieties are fine.



### NOT MY NANA'S RED SAUCE

#### Soffritto

3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

1 medium yellow onion, finely chopped

1 celery stalk, finely chopped

1 medium carrot, very finely chopped or grated using a box grater

2 whole cloves garlic, peeled and crushed with the blunt side of a knife or back of a spoon

#### Sauce

1 teaspoon dried thyme, or 1 tablespoon fresh

2 tablespoons dried oregano or 1/4 cup fresh, coarsely chopped

1 tablespoon anchovy paste

2 tablespoons tomato paste

1 (28-ounce) can of fire-roasted crushed tomatoes such as Muir Glen, or regular crushed tomatoes

Kosher salt

Freshly ground black pepper

1. Heat the oil in a large saucepan over medium-low heat. Add the onion, celery, carrot, and garlic and cook slowly to meld the flavors, 10 to 15 minutes.

2. Once your soffritto is sufficiently orange-y (this is the color it most resembles when cooked down), add thyme and oregano, and stir to combine. Next, add anchovy paste and tomato paste. Stir to combine.

3. Add the tomatoes, stir well, and let the sauce simmer for about 20 minutes over medium heat. Add salt and pepper to taste. Sprinkle a bit of salt over the top of the meatballs and drop them into the sauce for a couple of minutes (not all of them, though—you aren't making enough sauce for 12 meatballs unless you double the recipe). Dole it all out over whatever pasta you choose, though I recommend spaghetti for this classic.

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# THE STATE *of the* 2009 FRATERNITY

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Theta Sisters:

"We had to make a place for women in a man's world...." That was one of Bettie Locke's guiding principles when she, Alice Allen, Hannah Fitch, and Bettie Tipton founded Kappa Alpha Theta. The challenges they faced on a largely hostile, male-dominated campus had taught these young women the value of sisterhood when facing challenging times.

Our world is very different, of course, from the world of 1870. But the gift of sisterhood from our four founders continues to sustain us as we face and overcome new challenges. The perseverance first demonstrated 139 years ago continues today and enabled our Fraternity to thrive in 2009.

Potential new members continued to seek sisterhood, even in a difficult economy, and our recruitment of new initiates has remained steady; we were not plagued by the sharp declines in membership experienced by many other organizations. We were also delighted to be able to return Theta sisterhood to Auburn University, re-establishing Gamma Omega, a chapter with a distinguished history. And—continuing our tradition of innovation—we introduced several pilot chapter programs and embraced the opportunities for connection offered by online social networking.

In creating Kappa Alpha Theta, Bettie, Alice, Hannah, and Bettie sought to build a support system for themselves as they proved their right to a higher education. They succeeded, not for themselves alone, but also for the generations of women to follow. In founding an organization based on the ideals of noblest womanhood, they also gave to all of us truest sisterhood.

Loyally,



Katie Busby, EZ/Mississippi, Fraternity President

Kappa Alpha Theta's annual report provides information on Fraternity business as well as a short historical record of the year. This annual report reviews Theta programs during 2009 (January 1 - December 31). The financial information, however, pertains to fiscal 2008-09 (July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009). And readers should also note that some scholarship and ELC information pertains to the 2008 - 09 academic year.

## SCHOLARSHIP

### SCHOLARSHIP

During the 2008-09 academic year, 1,674 undergraduate Thetas achieved **straight As** for at least one school term. In addition, 46 college chapters (list at right) achieved the **number-one scholarship ranking** on their campuses during at least one term during 2008-09. (An \* indicates those chapters that achieved number-one status during all terms.)

### EDUCATION

Kappa Alpha Theta's **educational program** is called the Balanced Woman Member Education Program. Ongoing and progressive educational programs are provided according to the year of membership.

Modules included in the Balanced Woman are "Learn" (freshman year), which builds an understanding of the Fraternity and promotes involvement and leadership opportunities on campus; "Grow" (sophomore year), which promotes self-awareness, teaches the building blocks of a healthy lifestyle, and emphasizes moral growth and service; "Excel" (junior year),

which encourages awareness of community issues and volunteer opportunities and builds academic and real-world discipline; "Theta for a Lifetime" (senior year), which creates the tools for a successful and rewarding alumnae experience.

Theta for a Lifetime is also the name of the Fraternity's **member orientation program**. This name was selected because Theta is a lifetime commitment, and the privileges of membership last throughout a member's life. Orientation modules include Our History and Heritage; Scholarship, Our Highest Aim; Leadership, Widest Influence for Good; Presentation, Socially Congenial; Personality, Good Moral Character; and Theta Ritual, Links to Sisterhood.

Serving as role models, mentors, guides, and ambassadors, Theta's **educational leadership consultants** (ELCs) are enthusiastic and well-informed. They develop educational programs, lead workshops, teach problem-solving techniques, motivate members, and offer assistance and support to college chapters. After comprehensive training in every aspect of the

### CHAPTERS #1 IN SCHOLARSHIP

B/Indiana  
H/Michigan  
M/Allegheny College\*  
N/Hanover College  
Φ/Pacific\*  
AE/Brown  
AH/Vanderbilt\*  
AA/Washington  
AM/Missouri\*  
AO/Oklahoma  
AU/North Dakota  
AP/South Dakota  
AT/Cincinnati  
AY/Washburn  
BZ/Oklahoma State  
BM/Nevada  
BO/Iowa  
BX/Alberta  
TE/Western Ontario\*  
TO/Carnegie Mellon\*  
TP/UC Santa Barbara  
TL/San Diego State

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## GENERAL TREASURY INCOME

**TOTAL \$3,282,250**

Services/Supplies***	- .19%	- 6,379
Alumnae Support****	1.67%	54,810
Member Non-Dues Income**	7.9%	259,211
Leadership Training Fund Grant	12.67%	416,000
Risk Management Fees	11.35%	372,639
Foundation Grant	14.85%	487,500
International Meeting	4.6%	150,811
College Chapter Support*	57.83%	1,898,214
Investment Return/Disestablished Chapter	- 10.68%	- 350,556
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 3,282,250</b>

\* Initiation, per capita, & chapter services fees, etc.  
 \*\* Merchandise sales, jewelry commission, affinity charge card, etc.  
 \*\*\* Publications, labels/printouts, member links, etc.  
 \*\*\*\* Alumnae per capita fees, paid individually and via alumnae chapters

## GENERAL TREASURY EXPENSE \*\*

**TOTAL \$3,918,718**

Fraternity Officer Administration	3.52%	138,108
Capital Improvement***	21.82%	855,237
Risk Management	8.27%	323,972
Central Office Administration	26.33%	1,031,653
International Meeting Programs*	6.14%	240,645
	42.29%	1,657,247
Investment Income to Disestablished Chapter Reserves	- 8.37%	- 328,144
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 3,918,718</b>

\* Magazine, Educational Leadership Consultants, AlcoholEdu, etc.  
 \*\* Percent of total toward educational programs is 29%  
 \*\*\* Computer system upgrades, asset disposition, building improvements

## 2009 FRATERNITY STATISTICS

Active College Chapters  
125

Active Alumnae Chapters  
189

Active Alumnae Circles  
7

Total Initiated Members  
226,879

Chapter Closed  
ZΛ/Johns Hopkins

## 2008-2010 GRAND COUNCIL

Anna Katherine Busby,  
Fraternity President

Amy Hayner Kates,  
Fraternity Vice-President College

Mary Ellen Kutsenda Fitzsimonds,  
Fraternity Vice-President Alumnae

Deborah Bornmann Allen,  
Fraternity Vice-President Education

Suzanne Graf McLemore,  
Fraternity Vice-President Finance & Facilities

Julie Ruffolo Gilpin,  
Fraternity Vice-President Membership

Kimberly Morris Martin,  
Fraternity Vice-President Public Relations

Wendy Sears Goshert,  
Foundation President

Fraternity's programming, policies, and procedures, as well as in effective communication, motivational techniques, and business etiquette, the 13 recent graduates who served as the 2008-09 ELCs fanned out across the continent, visiting each college chapter in the US and Canada. A significant portion (60 percent) of the cost of the ELC program is funded by the Foundation grant to the Fraternity.

In late June, 116 college chapter advisors gathered in Dallas for **Leadership Conference 2009**. The purpose of the conference was to provide training, as well as opportunities to meet with district and Fraternity officers. This conference was conceived as part of a long-term Grand Council plan to emphasize advisor training.

# WIDEST INFLUENCE FOR GOOD

## GROWTH

The Fraternity celebrated the **re-establishment of one college chapter** and the **chartering of three new alumnae chapters** in 2009.

The Gamma Omega Chapter was reinstalled on April 4 on the Auburn University campus in Alabama. With help from alumnae and colleagues from the Delta Zeta Chapter at Emory and the Delta Omicron Chapter at Alabama, the 121 charter members of Gamma Omega were initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta. Originally chartered in 1957, the Gamma Omega Chapter joined 16 National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) groups on the Auburn campus.

In July, Grand Council granted charters to the Mobile Bay (Ala.) Alumnae Chapter, the Key West Alumnae Chapter, and the Western North Dakota Alumnae Chapter.

Growth of a different kind was marked by the creation of several Fraternity **pilot programs** as the Fraternity recognized that its "one-size-fits-all" chapter structures were not always delivering the finest and most rewarding membership experience.

Based on feedback from college chapters and advisors, in January 2009 the Fraternity launched the Minimally Structured Chapter Organization Pilot Program. This program was



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IT/Tulsa\*  
 TΦ/Texas Tech  
 ΔΔ/Whitman College\*  
 ΔE/Arizona State\*  
 ΔY/Eastern Kentucky  
 EH/Centre College\*  
 EL/Westminster College\*  
 EII/Bucknell  
 ET/Yale  
 EY/Columbia  
 EQ/Washington & Jefferson\*  
 ZH/Wofford College\*  
 ZA/College of Charleston  
 ZM/MIT  
 ZP/UC San Diego  
 ZS/Ohio Northern\*  
 ZY/UT-Dallas\*  
 ZQ/Loyola Marymount\*  
 III/College of Idaho  
 HI/San Diego\*  
 HE/Quinnipiac  
 HM/Occidental College\*  
 HO/North Florida\*  
 HP/James Madison\*



developed to enable all college chapters to use an organizational structure that fits their needs while maintaining the essential components of the Fraternity's college chapter program. Specifically, chapters participating in the pilot program had fewer elected officers and were able to engage more women in important committee work.

Similarly, based on feedback from members of challenged alumnae chapters and from alumnae in communities without an existing alumnae chapter, the Fraternity launched the Alumnae Circle Pilot Program. Circles employ a simpler structure than alumnae chapters and forego some chapter requirements and privileges. Groups participating in the pilot have reported an increased level of satisfaction among their members.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media tools are a very real part of everyday life, not just for collegians but also for thousands of alumnae. Theta is implementing many of these tools, believing in their power to help members connect with one another as well as to project a positive image of the Fraternity. For more information on Kappa Alpha Theta inCircle, plus our presence on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Flickr, and LinkedIn, go to [www.kappaalphatheta.org/alumnae/community](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org/alumnae/community).

## HOUSING

In 2007, Grand Council approved the formation of the Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity Housing Corporation (FHC), a separate corporation, to hold title to or to rent real and/or personal property to be used for housing and/or meeting purposes of specific college chapters.

By the close of 2009, 21 college chapter facilities were under the FHC umbrella. Work in 2009 concentrated on a complete remodeling of the Gamma Omega Chapter facility at Auburn and on continuing to identify, evaluate, and plan capital improvements for the Bet Nu facility at Florida State and the Gamma Mu facility at Maryland.

Creation of the FHC was motivated by situations in which an alternate structure to a chapter facility corporation is appropriate. Such situations could be, but are not limited to, no property needs of a chapter to justify the work and expense of incorporating locally or the lack of interested alumnae to serve on a local facility corporation board.

## MEMBER SERVICES

J. Lewis Small is the new official jeweler of the Fraternity, manufacturing badges, guards, dangles, pledge pins, and various other "official" jewelry items, while Herff Jones continues to sell Kappa Alpha Theta accessory pieces. Royalties from jewelry during the last fiscal year were just under \$154,000.

Bank of America manages the Fraternity's affinity charge card, and Coverdell continues to provide short-term health insurance to members. Royalties from these two programs were approximately \$36,500.

Kappa Alpha Theta retains the services of Affinity Consultants, Inc., as its licensing administrator. This firm collects royalties on Theta's behalf from the 240+ vendors who sell licensed Kappa Alpha Theta products and services. The Fraternity received more than \$67,000 in royalties collected by Affinity Consultants last year.



Theta utilizes social media tools, believing in their power to help members connect with one another as well as to project a positive image of the Fraternity.



# LOVE

## PHILANTHROPY

Kappa Alpha Theta supports two philanthropies, the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation and Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA).

The mission of **the Foundation** is to link members with resources to help them reach their fullest potential and make a difference in the world. Since the Foundation's establishment in 1960, it has relied on the generosity of individual members, parents, friends of the organization, and college and alumnae chapters to assist in furthering this effort. The Foundation's vision is to one day be able to give every Theta every opportunity to make a difference.

The Foundation supports the Fraternity, helping to make the Fraternity's educational and leadership programs possible through an annual grant. In 2008-09, the Foundation grant of \$487,500 helped to fund alcohol education, the development of Kappa Alpha Theta archives,

the educational leadership consultant program, educational speakers, and interfraternal programming.

In 2009, Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity celebrated 20 years of helping children and families through our successful collaboration with **Court Appointed Special Advocates!** Since 1989, Thetas have been deeply involved in the work of National CASA and its network—making lasting contributions as leaders, financial supporters, and passionate ambassadors for the CASA mission.

In addition to the contributions that Kappa Alpha Theta college and alumna chapters have made to CASA programs in their communities, members and chapters have contributed \$1 million to National CASA through the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation since 1989. To learn more about Theta's two philanthropies, visit [www.kappaalphatheta.org/learnabouttheta/philanthropy](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org/learnabouttheta/philanthropy).



The Fraternity selected a new official jeweler.





Clockwise from top left: Δ/Illinois members collected items for US troops on Theta's International Day of Service; EE/Baylor members did gardening and yard work at a local elementary school on the Day of Service; two ELCs on a ropes course; 2009-10 ELCs; the Fraternity celebrated 20 years with CASA.



On October 19, 2009, the Fraternity inaugurated its first **International Day of Service**. In honor of founder Bettie Locke Hamilton's birthday, Thetas around the world worked to make a difference in their local communities. Alumnae and college chapters participated in neighborhood clean-up efforts, volunteered at food pantries and homeless shelters, and collected donations for social service groups. Individual Thetas also volunteered their time in diverse ways.

In a Facebook photo contest to commemorate the International Day of Service, the Beta Mu Chapter at Nevada was recognized for its Go Green initiative, and the Minneapolis Alumnae Chapter was recognized for its support of Ever After Gowns.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

Kappa Alpha Theta is committed to educating our collegians on how to minimize risk and manage risky behavior. The Fraternity provides college chapters with a number of resources outlining the Fraternity's risk management guidelines, including the Risk Management Handbook, the Crisis Management Guide, and a number of volunteers who work with chapter officers to plan social functions and educate chapter members on minimizing risk.

Designed for students joining Greek organizations, **GreekLifeEdu** is a specialized program

that targets alcohol, hazing, and sexual assault. GreekLifeEdu empowers new members to make well-informed decisions and offers some simple strategies for member safety. The program presents non-opinionated, science-based content in an easily accessible, online format. Surveys, knowledge tests, and interactive exercises create a highly engaging experience for new members. All Kappa Alpha Theta new members must complete GreekLifeEdu.

In 2009, Kappa Alpha Theta became a platinum sponsor of **HazingPrevention.Org**, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose goal is to encourage healthy and productive experiences for new members of teams, student organizations, and fraternities and sororities. Through diverse programs, include a national hazing symposium, webinars, and a resource library, the organization seeks to empower people to recognize, prevent, and address hazing in their communities.

For more than 15 years, Kappa Alpha Theta has hosted **Risk Management on the Road** (RMOTR), a seminar for women's fraternal traveling consultants. Over the years, the mission of RMOTR has remained the same: to help traveling consultants—not just from Theta, but from all Greek women's groups—learn about and discuss the critical issue of risk management in the Greek community. Through the annual grant to the Fraternity, the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation supports a number of educational and leadership programs, including RMOTR. ♦





sweet years

For half a century Theta women have supported one another through the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation. Established as separate from the Fraternity in 1960, the Theta Foundation continues today with the same spirit of giving, receiving and sharing and the mission to link members with resources to help them reach their fullest potential and make a difference in the world.





#### DID YOU KNOW?

Aside from the U.S. and Canada, Foundation donors live in Belgium, Hong Kong, Israel, Switzerland, Puerto Rico, and the United Kingdom.



## 1960

Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation is established with eight trustees including first president Evelyn Widman Tunicliffe, Eta/University of Michigan. Evelyn serves as president until 1968.

## 1961

The **Theta Foundation** is incorporated as a not-for-profit in the state of Illinois. In 1962, the final legal steps are completed making donations to the Foundation tax exempt.

## 1962

LINK (Leadership, Incentive, Need, Knowledge) is adopted as the Foundation theme. While the Theta Foundation no longer has this theme, the **Foundation mission** remains to link members with resources to help them reach their fullest potential and make a difference in the world.

## 1964

The Kappa Alpha Theta Loan and Fellowship committee and \$100,000 are made part of the Foundation. The purpose of the committee, formerly part of the Fraternity, is to award biennial **scholarships**. At the time, scholarship recipients were not required to be Theta members.

#### Kari Gustafson

Alpha Pi/North Dakota

Donor,  
Founders Memorial  
Scholarship Recipient

"My hands were shaking so badly I could barely open the envelope! I was completely shocked and thrilled to have been selected from so many amazing applicants. Needless to say it was a very exciting day."



#### Nicci Pannier

Delta Epsilon/Arizona State

Donor, Scholarship Recipient, ELC

"I believe in paying it forward, and since receiving scholarships significantly eased the financial burden of attending school I want to do my part to help someone else. Give! It will directly make a tangible difference in someone's life."



#### Nancy Bush Millhouse

Gamma Upsilon/Miami

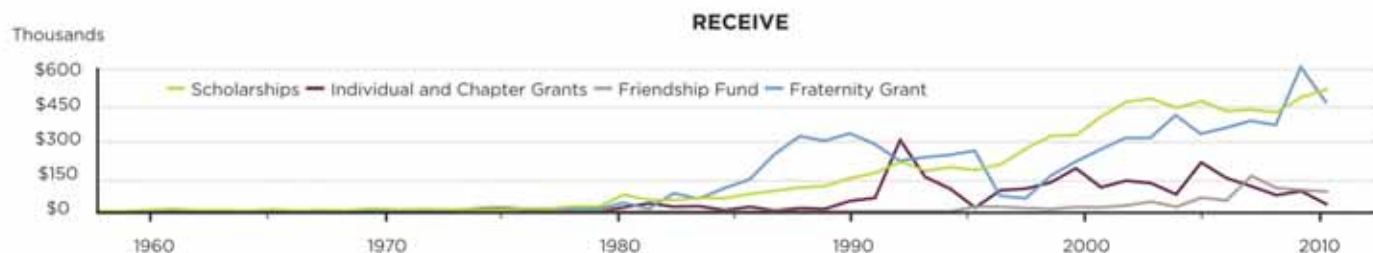
Donor

"To me, the Theta Foundation means giving help to deserving people."





# 50 sweet years



## 1968

The Foundation reports the completion of the Theta Court maintenance fund. Theta Court, the world's largest institution of its kind, provides residential housing for patients and their caregivers at the Institute of Logopedics, now called Heartspring. Although no longer **Theta's national philanthropy** the Foundation makes annual donations to Heartspring still today.

## 1970

The first **Founders Memorial Scholarships** are awarded. In honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Fraternity, these four \$1,000 scholarships were the first ever awarded to undergraduate members. Since, 160 women have received Founders Memorial Scholarships and each Founders Memorial Scholarship award is currently \$12,000.

## 1972

The first Foundation office director, Dorothy Schulze-Vaaler, Tau/Northwestern University, is hired on a part-time basis. Today, the **Theta Foundation** has seven full-time staff members.

## 1974

**Scholarship** trusts are established and Beta Eta/Pennsylvania and Kansas City scholarship funds are transferred to start the Educational Trust Fund. Still active today, scholarship trusts make it possible for individuals to establish an annually-awarded scholarship in memory or honor of a loved one, special member, or chapter.

**Casey Barry**  
Gamma Upsilon/Miami  
*Scholarship Recipient*

"I am attending college totally on student loans. The Theta Foundation scholarships have made it possible for me and many of my sisters to continue pursuing our dreams and benefitting from the many gifts Theta has to offer."



**Kelly Wesley**  
Gamma Iota/Kentucky

*Donor, Scholarship Recipient, Former Trustee, ELC*

"I was giving my time in service to the Foundation because of the gratitude I had for what it did for me and what it can do for others. Everyone can be involved. Just the simple task of making an annual gift has a tremendous impact."







#### DID YOU KNOW?

Less than 1% of Foundation donors contribute \$1,000 or more annually. In fact, 35% of Foundation donors contribute \$25 or less annually. No matter the size, every gift makes a difference.



## 1975

The Theta Foundation awards the first educational and leadership grant to the **Fraternity**, totaling \$10,000. In 2008, the Foundation grants more than \$600,000 to Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity, the largest award in history. To date, The Foundation has granted more than \$7.5 million to the Fraternity.

## 1977

A new Foundation pansy logo is introduced. The Foundation's current logo still incorporates the pansy, meaning thought, as it perfectly captures the spirit of the **Theta Foundation**. For it is through thought for others that Thetas give, receive and share.

## 1983

Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity and Foundation **headquarters** are dedicated at 8740 Founders Road in Indianapolis, Indiana. Previously, headquarters were located in Evanston, Illinois.

## 1985

Total **scholarship** awards surpass the half million dollar mark for the 25 years since the Foundation was established. Since 1960, more than 3,500 women representing more than 140 chapters have received Foundation scholarships.

**Jana Fuelberth**  
Gamma/Butler

*Donor, Scholarship Recipient*

"College is expensive! It was nice to lessen the financial burden of getting a higher education."

**Rose Joyce**  
Gamma/Butler

*Scholarship Recipient*

"I think that it is wonderful that Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation celebrates our scholastic achievements through these scholarships. The scholarships given are a great way to achieve your goals during college and after!"

**Katie Brinson**  
Gamma/Butler

*Donor, Scholarship Recipient*

"I feel like I understand what it means to be a Theta for a lifetime after becoming a recipient. This opportunity has solidified my desire to stay involved after I graduate. Someday I want to be on the giving side."





# 50 sweet years



## 1989

The Foundation receives \$1.8 million from the estate of Betty Baur Lambert, Alpha Chi/Purdue University. The first **scholarship** award, in 1990, was \$10,000. To date, the Lambert fund has awarded nearly \$2.5 million to 539 graduate scholarship recipients.

## 1990

The first grant is awarded to National Court Appointed Special Advocates (**CASA**): \$67,465. Adopted as the Fraternity's national philanthropy in 1989, the Foundation has supported this effort by granting \$1 million over the past 20 years to National CASA.

## 1994

The first named **grant** fund, named for the Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter, is established. Theta Foundation grant awards provide funding for leadership training and non-degree educational programs for individual Theta members and chapters.

## 1994

The Foundation assumes management of the **Friendship Fund**, making gifts to the Fund tax deductible. Since 1994, the Foundation has accepted \$897,671 in Friendship Fund donations.

**Nancy Parks Pickett**  
Alpha Gamma/Ohio State

*Donor*

"Theta is for a lifetime and we should be financially supportive as we are able through our lifetime."

**Laurie McGregor Connor**  
Gamma deuteran/Ohio Wesleyan

*Donor, Former Trustee, ELC*

"The Foundation is a great group of women with a common purpose—training new leaders, encouraging women to better themselves in all areas of their lives, befriending sisters in need, and providing a very important support system."

**Kay Loop Locher**  
Alpha Chi/Purdue

*Donor*

"As a district officer for 11 years, I saw the benefits of Foundation gifts first hand. A lot of love and careful thought go into who receives Foundation scholarships, grants and Friendship Fund assistance."



#### DID YOU KNOW?

There are currently more than 180,000 living Thetas. Less than 5% are current donors to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation.



#### DID YOU KNOW?

With 15 percent of Foundation donors, a total of 1,330 individuals, California is the state with the most Foundation donors.

## 1998

**Friendship Fund** policies change to allow Thetas to donate to the Fund at any time rather than only in honor of the Fraternity's birthday on Founders Day, as had been historically done.

## 2001

Annual **scholarship** awards hit the half million dollar mark. In 2009, the Foundation awarded the highest amount in Theta history: \$563,368.

## 2003

The Theta Foundation announces **Friendship Fund** expansion to include college members. Friendship Fund gifts support both alumna and undergraduate members experiencing financial distress, catastrophic illness, natural disaster, or urgent family crisis.

## 2004

Total non-degree educational and facility **grant** awards surpass the \$2 million mark. Total awards reach \$1 million in 1997. These milestones signify the Theta Foundation's ability to award as much in the seven years between 1997 and 2004 as in the 37 years prior to 1997.

#### Brandi Moore List

Gamma Iota/Kentucky

Donor, Scholarship Recipient

"I am so thankful for all of the Thetas that make scholarships and grants possible."



#### Aurora Flores

Alpha/DePauw

Scholarship Recipient

"I am very grateful to the Foundation donors. They have made my Theta experience even more rewarding knowing that I can be recognized for my work and efforts. I feel great being able to represent Theta in this way."



#### Jillian Hodge

Gamma/Butler

Donor, Scholarship Recipient

"I was so touched Theta recognized my scholastic achievements. Because of my Foundation gift, I'm able to pursue all of my academic dreams and goals. Nothing is too far to reach! The sky is the limit!"





# 50 sweet years

## DID YOU KNOW?

Initiated in 1927, the oldest current Foundation donor has been a Theta for 83 years! The youngest donors are two 2009 initiates. These women prove that you are never too young or too old to be a donor.



## 2006

In the wake of Hurricane Katrina, **Friendship Fund** grants reach \$156,337, more than three times of that granted in 2005. Since, Friendship Fund has awarded an average of \$95,000 annually.

## 2006

The Vivian Stevenson Delbrook, Gamma/Butler University, **scholarship** is established. This scholarship is the first award that renews, staying with the recipient through graduation.

## 2007

The **Theta Foundation** establishes a web site at [www.KappaAlphaThetaFoundation.org](http://www.KappaAlphaThetaFoundation.org) and moves offices to the upper level of Fraternity and Foundation International Headquarters in Indianapolis, Indiana.

## 2010

The Theta Foundation celebrates its **50th Anniversary**.

**Kristen McMahon**  
Alpha/DePauw

Scholarship Recipient

"My gift has been such a relief. I can now focus more on my academics, instead of financing my education. Also, I've been able to travel more. The Foundation has made my educational dreams come true."



**Stacey Walters**  
Alpha Chi/Purdue

Donor, Scholarship Recipient

"The gift has allowed me to contribute my time to help others as well."



**Lawren K. Mills**  
Alpha/DePauw

Donor, Scholarship Recipient

"Loans and expenses intimidate and hinder people from sometimes taking that bold next step. It was so great to find out the Theta Foundation gave grad school scholarships. The generosity of donors directly impacts women all over."



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**DID YOU KNOW?**

In 2009, the average gift to the Foundation was \$85.

Whether you give, receive  
or share, we thank you for making  
the Foundation mission possible  
for 50 *sweet* years.

**Jane Gorham Clark**  
Alpha Chi/Purdue

*Donor*

"I give to Theta because Theta gives to us. It is a meaningful way to direct funds that will assist young women to become all that they can be—they then can go on and help others."

**Catherine Clark Coston**  
Nu/Hanover

*Donor*

"My first gift to the Theta Foundation was in honor of my mother, Jane Clark, also a Theta! Even though there are many organizations to which I can donate, giving to Theta has always been a family tradition!"







## 125 YEARS, 19 EDITORS

**2010 MARKS THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KAPPA ALPHA THETA MAGAZINE. IN CELEBRATION, THE THROUGH THE YEARS COLUMN IN THIS AND THREE SUBSEQUENT ISSUES WILL FOCUS ON THE HISTORY OF OUR PUBLICATION.**

In 1885, 15 years after our founding, Kappa Alpha Theta had 15 college chapters and 680 members. We had held six Conventions and had published two songbooks. What we didn't have was a Fraternity magazine. That year, the 32 members (representing 12 chapters) attending Grand Convention in Ann Arbor, Mich., sought to remedy this situation by establishing *The Kappa Alpha Theta* (referred to as the Journal). They placed the editorship of this new endeavor in the hands of the Kappa Chapter at Kansas, which had presented a detailed plan for a fraternity magazine.

Agnes Emery, a first-year alumna of Kappa Chapter, was named editor-in-chief. In Volume I, Number I, June 1885, she wrote, "Believing that we have done our best and hoping that the best will grow better, we send forth into the college and fraternity world, *The Kappa Alpha Theta*."

In addition to this introduction, the first 38-page issue contained chapter letters, Fraternity notes, editorials, a brief sketch of the history of Kappa Alpha Theta by a member of Kappa Chapter, three poems, an article entitled "Currents" by a member of Epsilon/Wooster and one called "Legal Novels" from Lambda/Vermont, and an account of the recent Convention by another member of Kappa.

Many years later, in 1957, Emery looked back on the early years of the Journal. "I don't know what I liked best about writing on the Journal," she said. "I just enjoyed the whole thing."

For the next 19 years, management of the Journal passed from college chapter to college chapter, with each selecting its own editor. Clara E. Fanning, Upsilon/Minnesota, was the first editor elected by a Grand Convention. Then, in 1909, Grand Council appointed L. Pearle Green, Phi/Pacific, to the position of editor, a decision that would impact the Fraternity for the next 41 years.

Under Green's stewardship, the Journal became *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine* and continued its coverage of higher education and vocational opportunity. It also covered events in the Fraternity and the world of Greek-letter fraternities in an interesting, well-written style.

Miss L. Pearle, as she was known, was intolerant of the shortcomings of the writing of her college correspondents. She was particularly disdainful of misplaced clauses, misspelled words, too many capitals, and unnecessary verbiage. She named the offending chapters in *The Magazine*, writing of one, "We altered the sequences of several clauses to make this letter say what it evidently was intended to say."

Eventually she gave up trying to instruct college chapter editors. "Please remember that the chapter letter will be printed just as received from you. Neither editor nor printer will correct misspellings, punctuation, decipher scrawls, or do any of the other countless things you are in the habit of leaving undone."

When L. Pearle Green retired as editor, she had also served four times as Theta's National Panhellenic Conference delegate (and been chairman of NPC twice, the only woman to do so) and had, until 1942, carried the additional responsibilities of the Fraternity's grand secretary. She had become a legend.

After L. Pearle Green, the former editor with the longest tenure was Mary Margaret Kern Garrard, Alpha Chi/Purdue. During her editorship, *The Magazine* was honored by the National Federation of Press Women, receiving a national first-place award for a special edition and 10 state awards.

In 1985, on the occasion of *The Magazine's* centennial, Garrard wrote, "So to review those 15 years—I think of them as the stormy Sixties, a transitional time when women, young and old, including Thetas, were searching for identity. As Theta editor, I had the privilege of trying to move with the times and still preserve and present Theta in print as the strong, steady group it is, with so much invaluable to give to both the college and alumnae life of its members."

Although written to summarize her own experience, Garrard's words apply equally to the other 18 women who have served Kappa Alpha Theta as editor. Each has striven to move with the times—whether calm or turbulent—and to preserve and present Theta in print. ♦

## EDITORS THROUGH THE YEARS

Agnes Emery,  
K/Kansas, 1885-86

Mary Wilder Vonminckwitz,  
K/Kansas, 1886-87

Harriet Haskell MacDonald,  
K/Kansas, 1888-90

Emma Kemp Timberlake,  
Y/Minnesota, 1890-91

Mittie Skinner Peck,  
Λ/Vermont, 1891-95

Cecelia Agnes Law,  
I/Cornell, 1895-1901

Edith D. Cockins,  
AT/Ohio State, 1901-03

Caroline Comly Harris,  
AB/Swarthmore, 1903-05

Clara E. Fanning,  
Y/Minnesota, 1905-07

Charlotte Walker Stone,  
H/Michigan, 1907-09

L. Pearle Green,  
Φ/Pacific, 1909-50

Ruth Jones Stuhr,  
BK/Drake, 1950-54

Mary Myers Parr,  
B/Indiana, 1954-58

Mary Margaret Kern Garrard,  
AX/Purdue, 1958-73

Jane Rodgers Ratcliffe,  
T/Northwestern, 1973-75

Jane Brokaw Gallup,  
AA/Washington, 1975-84

Susan Stephan Holloway,  
ΠI/Iowa State, 1984-89, 1993-94

Sue Farrell Supple,  
A/DePauw, 1989-1993

Liz Appel Rinck,  
Γ/Butler, 1994-present

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# CELEBRATING 75 YEARS

IN 1935, KAPPA ALPHA THETA INITIATED 1,105 NEW MEMBERS, AMONG THEM THESE WOMEN, WHO OFFICIALLY CELEBRATED 75 YEARS IN THE FRATERNITY ON FOUNDERS DAY.

## A/DEPAUW

Genevieve O'Hair Kee  
Elizabeth Yount Price  
Mary Janet Hamilton Renaud  
Virginia Neal Spannuth

## B/INDIANA

Helen Robison Cassidy  
Sarah Jewett Cook  
Marjorie Voorhees McCall  
Mary Brown Woodward  
Betsy Landis Wright

## G/BUTLER

Elizabeth Jones Johnson  
Betty Renn McDonald  
Martha Norman Zettel

## A/ILLINOIS

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Audrey Truitt McCabe

## H/MICHIGAN

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Mary Elizabeth Barth Van Winkle  
Elizabeth Odell Woodburne

## I/CORNELL

Helen Reichert Chadwick  
Helen Brew Rich

## K/KANSAS

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Betty Eidson Fallin  
Jeannette Bowen Runyan  
Nancy Calhoun Swenarton

## A/VERMONT

Marion Yerks Bedford  
Bonita Matthews Bryant  
Kathryn King Dawalt  
Janet Collins Jenks  
Barbara Briggs MacMillan  
Marion Hill Powell

## G/OHIO WESLEYAN

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Jane Richards Kyle

## M/ALLEGHENY

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Betty Seibert Sedwick

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Margaret Gillispie Shaffer

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Beatrice Hilton Moulton  
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Nancy Williams Stewart

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Hildegard Haight McLaughlin  
Carol Simons Mercer  
Dorothy James Sinor

## Ψ/WISCONSIN

Janet Winnett Nyquist  
Phyllis Graham Werner

## Ω/UC BERKELEY

Betty Yelton Coulthard  
Lillian Sloan MacEdo  
Patricia Droste Walker

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Marianne Randall Thompson

## ΔΔ/GOUCHER

Judith Bushey Baxter  
Helen Ziegler Bunker

## AH/VANDERBILT

Ann Wright Hart  
Margaret Brugh Roberts  
Ann Shaw Stubbs

## AΘ/TEXAS

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Virginia Hindman Freeman  
Alma Buas Kormeier  
DeRheta Alderman Lanier  
Virginia Williams Rounsaville  
Ruth Reichenstein Sielaff  
Billie Morelock Washington  
Marie Chandler Woodson

## ΔI/WASHINGTON-ST. LOUIS

Grace Gale Coan  
Martha Willert Hillman  
Margery Skinner Nax  
Jane Faust Throop  
Ruth Lothrop Wells

## AK/ADELPHI

Adele Nyland Cottrell

## ΔΔ/WASHINGTON

Patricia Roberg Fleeson  
Eleanor White Gardner  
Maxine Casey Hannum  
Jean McDonald Zwiebel

## AM/MISSOURI

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Jane Shelden Kelley  
Nancy Nelson

## AN/MONTANA

Gladys Staffanson Luticken  
Mildred McDonald Oliver  
Iris Fear Zimmerman

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Betty Bean Lewis

## ΔII/NORTH DAKOTA

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Ellen Bek Freeman  
Anita Hage Wheeler  
Thelma Nielsen Wold

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Mary Dunlap Sedgwick

## ΔΣ/WASHINGTON STATE

Nessie Robertson Anderson  
Nadine Armstrong Miles  
Virginia Weatherford Smith

## ΔT/CINCINNATI

Betty Schwarberg Otterman  
Verna Hunter Uible

## ΔY/WASHBURN

Valerie Whitcomb Valaas  
Barbara King Wilson

## ΔΦ/TULANE

Mary Walker Brierre  
Catherine Lallande Caulfield  
Yvonne Meyer Gamble  
Margaret Grinnell Harris  
Elaine Gottschalk Olsen  
Janet Johnstone Shepard

## ΔX/PURDUE

Elizabeth Pyke Busse  
Joan Hall Dieterich

## ΔΨ/LAWRENCE

Jeanne Rasey O'Neil

## BB/RANDOLPH MACON WOMEN'S COLLEGE

Mary Gregg Cole  
Carolyn Harrell Perkerson

## BΓ/COLORADO STATE

Lillian Anderson Barrows  
Rena Davidson Porter

## BΔ/ARIZONA

Alice Walker Conley  
Helen Sheafe Dufficy

## BE/OREGON STATE

Enid Clifford Fisher  
Marigene Tichborne Reck

## BZ/OKLAHOMA STATE

Tydfil Bringham Fredenberger  
Maida Parr Frensley

## BΘ/IDAHO

Melissa Stone Covington  
Louise Paulsen Lemon  
Dorothy Walton Wright

## BK/DRAKE

June Teig Bailey  
Lois Bumgardner Hall  
Alice Yost Jordan  
Maxine Merkel Landis

## BA/WILLIAM & MARY

Carol McCoy Auer  
Mary Barns Brittain

## THE YEAR WAS 1935

Amelia Earhart became the first person to fly solo from Hawaii to California.

Penguin publishing company produced the first paperback books.

Parker Brothers released the board game "Monopoly."

Eleanor Roosevelt began writing "My Day," a syndicated newspaper column that would run until 1962.

The world's first parking meters were installed in Oklahoma City.

Barbara Bassett Cochrane  
Ann Holzapfel Kamin

## BM/NEVADA

Jean Cameron Arkell  
Norma Mills Best  
Doris Bath Layson  
Elizabeth Best Sawyer

## BN/FLORIDA STATE

Patty Hamilton Cheatham  
Jean Harris Frazier  
Muriel Watson Hailey  
Mamie Clark Worley

## BE/UCLA

Lucille Thompson Cook  
Frances Lynn Cunnison  
Sydney Stalder Fast  
Leone Wakefield McNeil Zimmer  
Elizabeth Lynn Stalder  
Emily Sedgwick Stone  
Nancy Bayly Watts

## BO/IOWA

Dorothy Westaby McCray  
Maxine Bowie Thomas

## BI/MICHIGAN STATE

Ann Borland Bast  
Vivian Knepp Long

## BP/DUKE

Anne Jones Benners  
Susan Hardy Brownell  
Mary Carter Gorrill  
Sara Rankin Hiatt  
Frances Edwards Thompson

## BΣ/SMU

Mary Jane Brinkerhoff Hamm  
Marjorie Jester Milby

## BT/DENISON

Helen Jones Breon  
Dorothy Schleman Darrow  
Jane Bryson Klunder  
Helen Clements Slawson  
Ann Liddle Walsh

## BY/BRITISH COLUMBIA

Kathleen Armstrong Sturrock

## BX/ALBERTA

Lucille Smith Garrett  
Kathleen Beach Hutton

## BΨ/MCGILL

May H. Robertson  
Edna F. Wootan



# ACT III

## THE LIFE OF A "SENIOR" THETA

I began Act One as Joan Baker in Portland, Ore., in 1926 and spent my early years on southern California's Catalina Island in the quaint town of Avalon, where my father was the only medical doctor. We moved to the mainland in 1936. After I graduated from high school in Glendale, I enrolled at UCLA as an education major with every intention of becoming a school teacher, and I pledged the Beta Xi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Among my many Theta sisters, Nena Marquard would become a lifelong friend. When it came to controversial social issues, Nena was decades ahead of her time. She was a Roman Catholic member of the controversial UCLA Religious Conference Panel of Americans, which fostered integration and ecumenism at a time when racial and religious divisions were tearing at the fabric of American society. I named the heroine of my novel, *Murder Most Hollywood*—detective and clinical psychologist Nena Santana—after Nena Marquard.

I left UCLA after two years to become vice-president of Mary Webb Davis, Inc., a large Hollywood modeling agency, where I taught young women how to walk, talk, dress, and—in general—look their feminine best. Although I loved working at the agency, I recognized that there was little opportunity for personal and professional growth. I enrolled in Wright MacMahon, a Beverly Hills secretarial/business school. And I began writing, my first and lasting love.

In the early days of television, it was much easier for new writers to break into the business. After several tries, I sold my first TV script, *On the Beach*, to Ford Theater. Co-written with NB Stone, Jr., the production starred Irene Dunne. Encouraged by that success, I took an administrative job at Universal International Studios hoping to join Universal's story department as a full-time story analyst and writer.

That dream was dashed when my friend, actor Harvey Korman, brought talent agency president Henry C. Brown to a party I was hosting in Studio City. Five months later, I was Mrs. Brown.

Henry and I shared a passion for politics and

became deeply involved in the New York Democratic Reform movement. As trusted members, we were assigned to accompany Eleanor Roosevelt to a 1962 rally in Greenwich Village. For me, the highlight of the rally was the ride down the streets of New York to and from her home. We talked politics non-stop. If women truly hope to advance the cause of women's equality, she lectured me, if they really want to break through the glass ceilings of business and politics, they can't sit around and pray for the cavalry. They have to organize like any special interest group and relentlessly and courageously lobby for their cause. Radical thinking in those pre-women's movement days; great advice for leadership training today.

Henry died in 1970, leaving me a single mom with a six-and-one-half-year-old son. With Eleanor's admonition to remain a political activist still ringing in my ears, I started my own political consulting company, Dominion Research, Inc. After I retired in 1996, I married Walter Bretz and took great joy in my role as grandmother.

In retirement, I found time to host a radio show, the Realm Players, on a local public access radio station. I also did interviews and commentaries, played old radio dramas, and produced new original comedies. My story about Eleanor Roosevelt prompted the most fan mail I ever received. I received that station's Bravo Award for best interview show.

I am now well into Act III of my life and back to where I began: writing. In addition to *Murder Most Hollywood*, a second mystery in the Nena Santana series, *Murder Most Elite*, will be published in 2010. A third book, a non-fiction exposé, is currently being vetted for publication.

Over the years, my friend Nena Marquard Roswell and I engaged in many stimulating debates about religion, social justice, and racial prejudice. So it is with great affection that I dedicated *Murder Most Hollywood* to the first Nena, a most generous and loyal friend, now gone. I know she would be pleased that royalties will be contributed to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation. ♦

This article was prepared by Richard Rashke, author and playwright.

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### MURDER MOST HOLLYWOOD

Joan Baker Bretz's, Beta Xi/UCLA, novel, featuring savvy private investigator Nena Santana and news about Marilyn Monroe and Jean Harris, is available from [www.mountainvalleypublishing.com](http://www.mountainvalleypublishing.com) or Barnes & Noble. The author contributes royalties from this book to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation.

## IN THE NEXT ISSUE...

### KAPPA ALPHA THETA LIFE LOYAL

There are many ways to support the Fraternity, and becoming a Life Loyal member is one of them. Don't miss our special feature about this program that was developed to provide enhanced services to members and to recognize those who support the Fraternity financially.

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Denver

# WE ASKED COLLEGE AND ALUMNAE CHAPTERS HOW THEY SUPPORT OUR TWO PHILANTHROPIES: THE KΑΘ FOUNDATION AND CASA.

(College Reports follow the alumnae reports.)

## ALUMNAE ALBUM

### ATLANTA

Heather A. Steen, ΔN/Arkansas

The Atlanta Alumnae Chapter enthusiastically supports the local Georgia CASA organization by participating in the annual CASA Luncheon and Fashion Show. The Georgia CASA Chapter raises about \$30,000 from this annual function.

This year, 20 to 40 alumnae attended and two or three "Theta tables" were purchased. This luncheon and fashion show is a "must attend" event each spring in Atlanta! What a great way to spend time with Theta sisters and get the scoop on the newest spring fashions.

### BIRMINGHAM (MICH.)

Melissa Manhart Ringey, BΠ/Michigan State

Our annual Holiday Dinner and Auction fund-raiser in November supported the Foundation and CASA, as well as Michigan State University, University of Michigan, Albion College, and our local philanthropy, Judson Center. Despite the bad Michigan economy, we raised \$1,500, a portion of which will be donated to the Foundation and to our local CASA in Wayne County. Auction items ranged from small holiday items to a "romantic encounter" night's stay at an upscale hotel in Birmingham. The auction is our most popular event, and everyone enjoys getting together for delicious food, unique auction items, and supporting a worthy cause.

Want to learn more about Theta's support of CASA?

[www.kappaalphatheta.org/learnabouttheta/philanthropy/casa](http://www.kappaalphatheta.org/learnabouttheta/philanthropy/casa)







Birmingham



Boise



Chicago North Shore



Chicago Northwest Suburban

## BOISE

Jean Gasaway Cariaga, ΔE/Arizona State

We started the year with a Founders Day Celebration, including our spring pansy sale, at Crane Creek Country Club.

Our next activity involved putting together school supplies and backpacks for CASA. We gathered at a local restaurant and filled 25 backpacks with school supplies. These were then donated to one of our local CASA chapters.

Our first Look Good Do Better charity jeans sale was a huge success. We partnered with the Eta Eta Chapter at College of Idaho and sold designer jeans to the public at discounted prices. This sale allowed us to donate some of the money to the Eta Eta Chapter and will be one of our chapter's annual fund-raising activities in the future.

We held a Souper Supper at the Eta Eta Chapter, and many alumnae made various kinds of soups, salads, and desserts for dinner. We then joined them in learning a Theta dance and songs. It was a fun-filled night with the college women.

## CHICAGO NORTH SHORE

Susan Smith, AO/Oklahoma

Cocktails for CASA, Cook County CASA's big fund-raising event of the year, was held in October. This year, the theme Stepping Out for Our Children gave participants a chance to fund-a-child by providing a caring volunteer for a child in need. Gypsy jazz music from the Uptown Strings, hors d'oeuvres, celebrity emcee, and silent auction featuring one-of-a-kind items made this charitable evening most memorable.

Two silent auction packages were donated by members of our chapter. Mary Mausser's interior design services offering, paired with a dinner platter and cheese knife, netted \$300. A wine-tasting party for 20, complete with a presentation bottle of fine red wine, was donated by WineStyles in Glenview, Susan Smith and Neva Murphy, for our alumnae chapter. When final bids were in, this package received \$620. As preliminary results of the evening's successful event were tallied, Cocktails for CASA contributions totaled \$81,000.

## CHICAGO NORTHWEST SUBURBAN

By Martha Morey Swierczewski, Ψ/Wisconsin

CASA was the focus of the November meeting of the Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae Chapter. Muriel Fenzel, Alpha Sigma/Washington, a former member of the chapter, informed the group about her five-year experiences as a Court Appointed Special Advocate in Kane County, located 25 miles northwest of Chicago. Fenzel told the group that there are approximately 3,700 abuse cases a year in Kane County; 500 of these cases are handled by 200 CASA volunteers. Over the course of her involvement with CASA, Muriel has been assigned to five cases. She shared some heart-wrenching examples of the abusive situations these children have experienced before being removed from the home. Ultimately, the goal of the court is to get the child returned to the home, which takes an average of 18 months. After required training, Muriel was assigned her first case, which was in and out of court over a period of four years. Muriel's presentation raised awareness among

## THE WIDEST INFLUENCE FOR GOOD

Throughout history, philanthropy has been an important element of society. Helping those less fortunate and improving the community have all been motivating forces in the development of fund-raising and philanthropy as we know it today.

Members of Kappa Alpha Theta promise to uphold our founding values, which include the widest influence for good.





Columbus (Ohio)



Indianapolis



Mid-Cities



New Orleans

chapter members of the value of Theta's commitment to "speaking up for children."

## COLUMBUS (OHIO)

Kari Gustafson, AFI/North Dakota

The Columbus Alumnae Chapter welcomed the holiday season with our annual ornament exchange party. The event was hosted this year by Millie Jenkins McVey, Alpha Gamma/Ohio State, with the help of her daughters, Vicki McVey Miller, Gamma Upsilon/Miami, and Susan McVey, Gamma Upsilon/Miami. Attendees had fun trading ornaments and answering Christmas-themed trivia and were all treated to a lovely dessert courtesy of the McVey ladies! Other events this fall have included a wine tasting, a Halloween party with the Alpha Gamma Chapter, a Chihuly exhibit tour at the Columbus Museum of Art, and—of course—our annual poinsettia sale benefiting the Foundation and CASA.

## DENVER

Allison Radcliffe, BZ/Oklahoma State

The Denver Alumnae Chapter supports CASA in many ways. Not only do alumnae volunteer professionally with CASA throughout the Denver community, but the chapter also facilitates toy drives and service projects to and stages fund-raisers.

We hosted our first-ever Hearts and Heels fund-raiser in September to raise money for Denver-area CASA program offices and the Kappa Alpha Theta philanthropy fund. With 100 attendees, the first event was a success, raising more than \$3,000 for CASA. The honorable Katherine Delgado, 17th Judicial District

judge (a Theta alum herself) spoke of her experience with CASA and the much-needed work that its volunteers perform on behalf of children in need.

We also hosted a Warm Hearts, Warm Blankets service project program in November; more than 30 members gathered to make fleece blankets for holiday presents for CASA children. Because these children must often leave their homes suddenly for placement in foster care and are unable to take personal items, the blankets will provide them with something of their very own for comfort during a time of uncertainty in their lives.

## GARLAND-MESQUITE-ROCKWALL AREA

Almeta Haggard Gold, AΦ/Tulane

A charter for the Garland-Mesquite-Rockwall Area Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta Charter was granted on January 19, 2003. Before we were a chapter, we were an alumnae club, which was founded August 15, 1978.

On Founders Day we send our contribution to Foundation and an unrestricted amount during the year. We have supported the Dallas CASA unit in the past. During exam week, we send money to the Zeta Upsilon Chapter at UT Dallas so they can buy snacks. In the past we have also donated sheets, dog food, etc. to Garland's Animal Shelter.

## GREATER WACO

Kyle O'Brien Stevens, BΣ/SMU

Station manager and sports director Dan Ingham of KWTX TV-10 chose the Waco Alumnae Chapter and CASA as its partner for

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Cathie Waters Cardelucci,  
BΣ/UCLA  
Orange County Alumnae Chapter





Orange County



Pasadena



Richmond



San Antonio

the first Dan Ingham Long Ball Challenge in May 2009. The event, to benefit The Advocacy Center of Waco, drew participants from all over central Texas and was a complete sell-out in both corporate sponsorships and event participation. This response has allowed for KWTX and Theta to partner again in 2010 for another Long Ball Event.

I served as tournament chairman as well as chapter president. We are so grateful to both KWTX TV-10 as well as the central Texas community. Both groups worked together to raise approximately \$6,000 for our local CASA. The best part is the new awareness the event brought to the Advocacy Center and CASA, as KWTX produced a special three-minute TV "magazine" piece during the sports broadcast, taking viewers into the CASA offices and explaining their function, purposes, and needs.

## INDIANAPOLIS

Marci Moore, T/Butler

The women of the Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter have found a variety of ways to support CASA. The Indianapolis affiliate of CASA, Child Advocates, hosted the CommU.N.I.T.Y. (Uniting Neighbors and Informing Today's Youth) Fair and free backpack giveaway in August. Chapter members (and one future Theta) volunteered for this event, sorting and handing out more than 2,000 backpacks filled with school supplies.

We also recently helped Child Advocates start a resource library by donating \$250. The books purchased were on topics such as adoption, anger management, self-esteem, and coping for the advocates to read with the children they serve.

Another recent service project was security blankets for foster children. On October 19, Kappa Alpha Theta's Inaugural Linked Heart to Heart International Day of Service, women from the Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter and from the Gamma Chapter at Butler made no-sew polar fleece blankets for the children served by CASA. A total of 24 blankets were then given to the children by the Child Advocates volunteers on their December home visits.

## MID-CITIES

Susan Sanders, BS/SMU

Six of our members enjoyed beautiful weather and great camaraderie while participating in the Fall Breakaway 5K Run/Walk at TCU. Held in loving memory of Tracy Clark and benefiting CASA of Tarrant County, this event is organized by the Gamma Psi Chapter.

Pattie Harrell, the only one of our chapter to actually compete, ran with her twin star Theta dogs. Speaking of these great dogs, they were the first of ALL participating dogs (and there were many) to cross the finish line! Patti would have come in first in her age group if she hadn't stopped at mile two to water them!

Kudos, too, to Andrea Drusch, daughter of Sandy Meiner Drusch, Alpha Mu/Missouri, who was the sponsor chairman for the entire event.

## NORTH CENTRAL NEW JERSEY

Pamela Marvinney Banks, A/Vermont

In October we launched our first fund-raiser to benefit CASA of Morris and Sussex Counties.

The kick-off event at Sages Pages bookstore in Madison, NJ, featured noted historian John



Members from the Eta Kappa Chapter at John Carroll University and the Eta Pi Chapter at Case Western Reserve joined members of the Cleveland Alumnae chapter for a delightful evening.





South Orange County



Stillwater



Williamsburg

Cunningham, author of *The Uncertain Revolution*. Mr. Cunningham spoke about the strategic role that our state played in the turning point of the American Revolution while George Washington maintained his headquarters at the Ford Mansion in Morristown. Following a lively discussion of military maneuvers and human drama during the war, Mr. Cunningham signed copies of his book for Thetas and their guests.

Lisa Firkser, executive director of CASA of Morris and Sussex Counties, then spoke about the work of CASA volunteers and shared accounts of the range of services provided to local children in need of advocates within our court system.

This event launched a holiday book sale at Sages Pages during which all books sold to Thetas and friends of Thetas were tax free. At the end of the book sale, Sages Pages wrote a check to CASA on behalf of our alumnae chapter representing a percentage of total sales.

This was the first time a Theta chapter has sponsored a fund-raiser for CASA in our area. Although it was a modest beginning, we hope to continue the book sale on an annual basis.

## NEW ORLEANS

Deborah Quarles, ZH/Wofford

The New Orleans Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta has been a faithful supporter of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) New Orleans for the last 20 years. For years prior to Hurricane Katrina, local Theta alumnae helped plan and organize CASA New Orleans's annual fund-raiser, Rock the CASA.

Since 2006, the New Orleans Alumnae Chapter has demonstrated its commitment to CASA New Orleans by participating in its new fund-raiser, What's Cookin' with CASA?, a culinary-themed event combining cuisine from many of New Orleans's most notable restaurants, a cooking demonstration by a celebrated local chef, a silent auction, and entertainment from local jazz artists.

Besides attending the event and donating items for the silent auction, a cadre of New Orleans Theta alumnae has served every year as auction volunteers, running the auction tables, posting bid updates, and processing the final winning bidders.

This year, the silent auction alone raised \$4,000, in spite of the gloomy economy. Since the inaugural fund-raiser in 2006, the Theta-run silent auction has generated nearly \$20,000

for CASA New Orleans.

## ORANGE COUNTY

Cathie Waters Cardelucci, BE/UCLA

Orange County alumnae had several opportunities to support CASA this year. We had a summer social in August at which we collected school supplies for CASA kids. In September, we joined the Eta Sigma Chapter at Chapman University to make blankets for Orangewood and CASA. And at our holiday social in December, we collected books for CASA! While we do support other philanthropies throughout Orange County, CASA remains nearest and dearest to our Theta hearts!

## PASADENA

Janet Paine Peters, BQ/Colorado College

We have discovered that filling orders from members for Theta chicken crêpes is a handy way to get more area Thetas interested in joining the chapter. Another pay-off comes when revenue from sales is forwarded to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation and the Los Angeles CASA program.

In the fall, orders are received from members for the crêpes. Early in November, a group of Thetas meets at a member's home and gets to work. An assembly line is created to cook the sauce, sauté the mushrooms, and fill the crêpes. The final step is packaging the crêpes in sets of eight and freezing. This year, 20 Thetas completed 125 packages in one working day.

The concept was borrowed from the Midland (Texas) Alumnae Chapter where the program has been successful for several years, and they were good enough to share their recipe.

Now in its second year, the Theta chicken crêpes program has grown in popularity, not just with orders but also with volunteers willing to work the assembly line. The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation wins, CASA wins, and members receive a tasty entrée almost ready to serve.

## RICHMOND

Kristen Lopez Kacsanek, TI/Kentucky

The Richmond Alumnae Chapter was able to accomplish some great fund-raising events in 2009. In addition to our yearly school-supply drive, our annual bowl-a-thon for CASA was a big success. This event was open and advertised to the public and CASA volunteers, as well as local alumnae and their families. Participants were able to bowl unlimited games

We love supporting Theta's national philanthropy on a local level!"

Maureen Guerrero Null,  
Phi/Pacific,  
Santa Barbara Alumnae Chapter



for three hours for a small fee as well as enjoy snacks and refreshments.

Funds were also accumulated through a raffle and silent auction. With the help of local retailers and companies that were willing to donate fantastic items for this event, the Henrico County CASA as well as to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation were the real winners for the day. Both organizations were given a substantial donation from this event. We were very fortunate to have the level of participation from the community and retailers to make this year's event even more successful!

## ROCHESTER

Margie Campbell McNamara, IT/Butler

In 2008, the Rochester Alumnae Chapter launched its Little Miracles Project, designed to deliver festive bags of Christmas cheer to 50 CASA boys and girls ages nine to 19.

A survey of age-appropriate boys and girls plus ideas from CASA volunteers helped us narrow down our list of items for the bags while a committee of dedicated shoppers surveyed the stores for the best buys. CASA volunteers also provided us with the exact ages of the boys and girls, allowing us to personalize the gift bags. For the boys, an NFL or MLB cap of their favorite team, and for the girls, lotion from Bath & Body Works. Some of the items included in all of the bags were movie tickets, packages of popcorn, hot chocolate, gum, ChapSticks, candy canes, bowling and Wendy's coupons, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

Each bag was marked so that CASA volunteers could match the bag to a specific child. The committee also added a Theta-designed Christmas card wishing good cheer from the Theta Shoppers! When we asked CASA how we might help in 2010, they responded, "The Little Miracles Project, please! The boys and girls are still talking about their cherished Christmas bags!"

## SAN ANTONIO

Ann Schubach Word, BS/SMU

The San Antonio Alumnae Chapter is "Carrying for Casa." Wanting to fill a real need, we asked CASA several years ago what they might need in the way of assistance. Our CASA's director said there was a huge need for bags or backpacks for the children to keep their belongings in when they have to move from one place to another. The children are already going through a stressful time. With the help of The Prestigious Mark owner Karen Norman, and sales executive Anne Boyce Folkes, Alpha Theta/Texas, who secured the bags and helped underwrite the cost, the San Antonio Chapter again donated more than 250 new backpacks to the children assisted by CASA.

## SANTA BARBARA

Maureen Guerrero Null, PhD/Pacific

In 1989, the Santa Barbara Alumnae Chapter wondered whether CASA of Santa Barbara County was having a holiday party for the children served by the program. Yes, program staff said, there would be a party. We wondered if there would be gifts for the young people. No, we were told. There would be food

and games and fun, but 120 children meant 120 gifts, and that was just more than the program could provide.

So the Santa Barbara alumnae went into action, filling 120 gift bags with small toys, toiletries, and gift cards, as well as zoo and museum passes. It was the start of a holiday tradition for the alumnae as well as the Theta collegians at UC Santa Barbara, who soon got involved, lavishly decorating the children's gift bags.

This year, Thetas set their sights on a new beneficiary for holiday gifts: CASA volunteers.

We raised \$1,350 and were able to purchase for each of the 113 child advocates a \$10 gift cards that can be used anywhere. They looked like bank charge cards with "We love CASA" printed on them. We enclosed each in a little red Santa stocking with a letter of appreciation in Christmas envelopes. We love supporting Theta's national philanthropy on a local level!

## SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY

Carolyn O'Connor Toohey, MS/UC Riverside

The ladies of the South Orange County Alumnae Chapter had a busy three months helping the children who are supported by CASA. In October, a group of our members volunteered at the annual Pumpkins and Pancakes Halloween Extravaganza, a morning filled with food, fun, songs, games, and costumes. This event raises money and awareness for CASA, and all of the CASAs are invited to attend for free! In November, we made fleece blankets at our monthly meeting to keep the CASA kids warm during our "chilly" California days! In December, we wrapped Christmas gifts donated for the children. To wrap up the holiday season, we enjoyed a Christmas brunch and all who attended brought a stuffed animal to donate to the children of CASA.

## SPOKANE ALUMNAE CHAPTER

Lila Milligan Boyden, FO/New Mexico

CASA is one of the major recipients of funds from our annual holiday wreath sale, which involves the participation of approximately 75 women in the sale of almost 600 wreaths. CASA Partners, the Spokane organization, publishes our order form in their fall newsletter and helps us with additional wreath sales.

Local alumnae are involved on various levels for CASA Partners in Spokane. Last spring our alumnae chapter collected for the My Bag program, which provides a personal tote filled with special belongings and essential supplies for 500 children entering foster care annually. Additionally we gave goods to the My School Bag program, which ensures that 150 children living with impoverished relatives have the shoes, clothing, toiletries, backpacks, and supplies needed to begin each school year.

Thetas also serve as CASAs and volunteer in the Bee Kind Garden which provides a therapy program designed to teach gentleness, kindness, and empathy to children from violent homes. The volunteers help children nurture living things and interact with animals in an outdoor setting.

*We're proud of our long-standing support of Colonial CASA and children in need."*

Anne Humphries Arseneau,  
BA/William & Mary,  
Williamsburg Alumnae Chapter



A new fun meeting idea for Palos Verdes was Project Runway.



## STILLWATER

Toni Acosta Stone, BZ/Oklahoma State

The Stillwater Alumnae Chapter hosted its 30th Annual Flaming Festival at the Beta Zeta Chapter facility in November. All proceeds benefit CASA nationally, as well as the local CASA chapter and other Stillwater charities.

Alumnae begin their work on the Sunday before Festival by decorating the chapter facility for Christmas. Sometimes the collegians join them in setting up trees, placing garlands, decorating mantels and tables, hanging wreaths and adding lights to complete the festive look.

The community looks forward to Flaming Festival every year, and when the doors open, there is a long line of shoppers waiting to get in! The bakery features homemade cakes, pies, and breads. The Christmas market showcases holiday gifts and decorations and many tables featuring creative and beautiful table-scapes,

designed by our alumnae chapter members. The tea table provides tea and coffee and delicious tiny sandwiches and a myriad of sweets, all served on crystal and silver.

It is a joy to be with the collegians and share their beautiful chapter house with our friends in the community.

## WILLIAMSBURG

Anne Humphries Arseneau, BA/William & Mary

The Williamsburg Alumnae Chapter held a holiday brunch in December. At this annual event, we come together to celebrate the holidays and sponsor a CASA family. We work with Colonial CASA to identify a family that needs some extra help. This year, we raised more than \$600 to support a Merry Christmas for three CASA children. The Williamsburg Alumnae Chapter is proud of our long-standing support of Colonial CASA and children in need.



BI/Colorado

## ON CAMPUS

### ALPHA/DEPAUW

Katie Summers

Alpha hosts signature philanthropy events throughout the year. The annual Mr. University

event benefits the local Putnam County CASA organization. Contestants receive additional points if they raise a significant amount of money for CASA through their own efforts. In the fall of 2009, the winner of Mr. University raised more than \$250. Everyone who attended this year made a \$2 donation to CASA, ultimately helping Alpha to raise more than \$2,900





H/Michigan



X/Syracuse



Y/Wisconsin



AE/Brown



AH/Vanderbilt



AT/Cincinnati

in a single night!

During the spring semester, we host Rock the CASA, which is an annual barbecue with games and live music. Campus bands and other local performers provide entertainment, and an assortment of food and drinks are provided for guests who choose to make a \$3 donation to CASA.

Each year, DePauw's Panhellenic Council holds a service competition between the campus sororities. During this week-long competition, each chapter keeps a record of the number of service hours accumulated by its members. Alpha won the 2009 service competition and received a \$100 donation to CASA!

Apart from these events, Alpha is proud to have members who are certified CASA volunteers. The goal of these women is to ultimately find a stable home for the child with caretakers who love them.

## ETA/MICHIGAN

Jamie Bachmann

The Eta Chapter hosted its annual Rock the CASA in October. The variety show featured on-campus dance troops, a cappella groups, and improv acts, as well as the up-and-coming new artist Mateo, who was on tour in the Ann Arbor area. The event was a huge success, achieving record attendance and raising nearly \$3,000 to support CASA. The event was run entirely by juniors Jen April, Ariel Markowitz, and Ali Saul, Eta's 2008-2009 philanthropy chairmen. Thetas and community members were dancing in the aisles to contribute to this great cause.

## PHI/PACIFIC

Jill Sullivan Mallory, PR Advisor

A trip to the local office of CASA last spring was the beginning of an exciting year for Phi Chapter and CASA of San Joaquin County.

Rosie Burrell, VPPR, and Ashley Hauss, service chairman, met with a case manager and his staff, which proved to be informative and beneficial to both our casas. It was apparent that CASA needed our support, and they were delighted to know that Phi was at their service. On Philanthropy Night, we donated bags of stuffed animals with a pledge to return with the proceeds from April's Breakfast at Your CASA event. A check for \$1,400 resulted from this event and was presented to CASA SJC in June, 2009.

The ladies of Phi Chapter demonstrated how experienced we are at selling raffle tickets at CASA's Blue Jean Ball in August. Phi's signature philanthropy event, Theta Inferno, was held in October. We delivered the good news to CASA SJC in November by inviting them to our casa for dinner and presenting them with another check for \$1,200.

## CHI/SYRACUSE

Natalie Johnson

The Chi Chapter supports CASA in various ways throughout the year. Our autumn Theta Jeans Sale was a huge success this year. On average, the Chi Chapter sells about 100 pairs of designer jeans, with 10 percent of each jeans sale going towards the Foundation. When spring comes around, it's time for ThetaBowl, a touch-football competition between the fraternities on campus. Dozens of fraternities gathered for the event, which raised about \$2,000.

Philanthropies at Syracuse University bring the campus together in the most positive way. Theta's fund-raising is a great way to promote the CASA cause among college-aged students.

## PSI/WISCONSIN

Jessica Bender

In November, several women attended





BN/Florida State



BΦ/Penn State



ΓΔ/Georgia



ΓΖ/Connecticut



ΓΩ/Auburn

Gingerbread Casas for CASA, a gingerbread "casa" decorating contest in which numerous organizations and companies donated their time and money to show their support for Dane County's CASA. Each team was given a gingerbread house, frosting, and four hours to construct the best house possible.

In addition to decorating our gingerbread house, many women distributed informational packets to people throughout the mall where the event was hosted and explained what CASA's mission is. Everyone really enjoyed themselves and our house turned out beautifully.

In April we had the privilege of supporting CASA while they lobbied to maintain government funding at the Wisconsin state capitol. While CASA volunteers spent the busy day in and out of meetings with government officials, we helped with set up and take down of a display of "forgotten children" in the center of the building. We also were able to meet many volunteers and hear firsthand about their CASA experiences, providing inspiration for our future philanthropic efforts.

### ALPHA EPSILON/BROWN

Amanda Filiberto

We started the autumn semester off right by holding our annual charity denim event in September. Charity Denim is a non-profit organization that sells overstocked designer jeans at discounted prices. We spent weeks handing out flyers, table slipping at our dining halls, stuffing mailboxes, and telling everyone we knew. It was our most successful Charity Denim event yet, raising \$450 and awareness for CASA.

We followed up a few weeks later with our first Hoops for CASA basketball tournament. It was a 3v3 half court double elimination tournament with three divisions: recreational,

women's and competitive.

Overall we had an extremely successful semester and raised a total of \$1,450, \$1,000 for national CASA, \$250 for local Rhode Island CASA, and \$200 for the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation.

### ALPHA ETA/VANDERBILT

Megan Gilbert

For Alpha Eta Thetas, the Theta Stomp, performed every fall at the annual Theta barbecue to benefit CASA, is a beloved tradition dating back to when many of our mothers and grandmothers were Vanderbilt Thetas themselves. The words are silly, the dance itself incredibly campy and fun, but the sisterly bonding among the sophomore class in Stomp rehearsals and at the performance itself is authentic and memorable.

Because Court Appointed Special Advocates must be at least 24 years of age, Thetas eager to help the organization were presented with the unique challenge of finding a way to give back. Financial support and spreading awareness are two ways we have been able to get involved, and Theta Barbecue offers us the chance to do both. At this year's barbecue, we chose to place more emphasis on CASA and its mission, capitalizing on the historically strong turnout of Vanderbilt students eager to see Theta friends doing the legendary Theta Stomp.

### ALPHA THETA/TEXAS

Mackie Wood

The Alpha Theta Chapter hosted its annual Pancake Party at the Theta facility on March 26. We had guests from both inside and outside the Greek system, athletes (including UT quarterback Colt McCoy!), and high school seniors who planned to attend the University of Texas in the fall of 2009. Our wonderful chef, Mrs.

*Volunteering for CASA is always a rewarding experience."*

Jessica Bender, Y/Wisconsin





ΔE/Arizona



ΔΘ/Florida



ΔΔ/Clemson



EA/Dickinson



EM/Princeton



EI/Bucknell

Beryl Rowe, was on hand to help us serve up stacks of piping hot blueberry, chocolate chip, M&M, buttermilk, and toffee-pecan pancakes in the kitchen. Guests bounced on a moonwalk, enjoyed listening to music, and ate pancakes at decorated tables outside or doodled with crayons on papered dining room tables inside. We charged \$5 for all-you-can-eat pancakes, and Theta raised nearly \$2,100 for CASA (about \$100 more than in 2008, and double the amount raised in 2007). Pancake Party is one of Texas Theta's favorite traditions, and it was another huge success this year!

### ALPHA TAU/CINCINNATI

Molly Bauer

Every year the Alpha Tau Chapter tries to think of new ways to help CASA's local chapter, ProKids. This year we "adopted" the block around ProKids. Each month, we spend one day beautifying the streets that surround ProKids by picking up trash, raking leaves, and doing other things to make the location beautiful and welcoming.

Fall quarter is also when our chapter hosts Mr. University. It is a male pageant that is not only successful but quite a spectacle. Many people from the university attended the event, and with their help we were able to raise just over \$1,200! This year one of Alpha Tau's own also took her service to ProKids to another level. Jenna Bullock, a junior social work/addictions major, decided to be a CASA advocate. Bullock said, "I have been interested in CASA ever since I joined Theta. The foster care system really needs people to look after kids and I want to be one of those people."

### BETA IOTA/COLORADO

Courtney M. Carr

The Beta Iota Chapter holds an annual fra-

ternity flag football tournament called Buff Bowl. The entire of University of Colorado Greek system attends this event; in 2009, more than 15 fraternity chapters participated. This year, we also had more than 70 other fraternity women from nine different chapters attend. Since Buff Bowl takes place just a few weeks after recruitment, this event helps reunite the Greek system. It also helps us welcome our new members and help them learn what philanthropies are all about. Buff Bowl has proven to have been an amazing philanthropy that truly engages the entire Greek community.

### BETA MU/NEVADA

Maritza Perez

The Beta Mu Chapter supports CASA through our annual philanthropy event, AlleyKATs, which occurs every fall semester. AlleyKATs is a bowling tournament in which members of the campus community, Greeks and non-Greeks alike, and members of the greater Reno community participate. To promote AlleyKATs at the university, our chapter sold cupcakes, which were either donated or home-baked, on campus for an entire week leading up to AlleyKATs. This promotional week was dubbed Cupcakes for CASA by our chapter. Through cupcake sales, we were able to educate our peers about CASA, while also raising money for CASA and enlisting bowlers for AlleyKATs.

This year, more than 20 teams participated in AlleyKATs. The teams competed for various titles, including best team costume, highest team score, and lowest individual score, among others. All participants received a water bottle, T-shirt, lunch, and invaluable information about CASA. Next year, we anticipate that our philanthropy event will grow larger and include yet more participants ... and cupcakes!

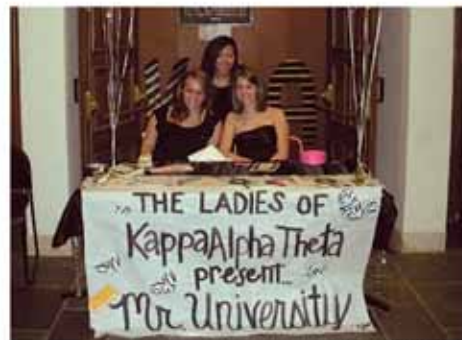




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ZZ/Ohio Northern



HK/John Carroll

## BETA NU/FLORIDA STATE

Michele Renz

Our main philanthropy event in the fall was Theta Jams, which is a single elimination basketball tournament for university organizations. All the proceeds go directly to CASA. In the spring we have Rock the Casa, in which different organizations enter teams and compete against each other in the video game *Rockband*. All proceeds from this event go directly to CASA as well. Next spring, we will be starting a new philanthropy called Bracelets for Bella. This will be an opportunity for all sororities around the Florida State campus to purchase unique bracelets that have the colors and symbol of their sorority. A percentage of the profits will be going to CASA and a portion will be going to the family of a young girl named Bella who has cancer.

Many Beta Nu members volunteer at the local CASA office, helping out with whatever needs to be done, and numerous girls tutor children involved with the CASA program weekly. We actually have several certified guardian ad litem as well.

## BETA SIGMA/SMU

Christina Castaldo

We have had such an amazing time putting together philanthropy events benefitting CASA. Since the Spring 2009 semester, we have raised more than \$28,000 for CASA with events that include Theta Dodgeball, Theta 5K, and Bewitched by Theta.

Our biggest event, Theta 5K, was held in November, during SMU's parents' weekend. This year's 5K was a collaboration with the SMU Athletic Department. More than 500 runners participated in support of CASA. Unique to this event was the special kick-off which took place at the 50-yard line at the SMU football stadium. We were excited to have special appearances by Kimi Martin, Alpha Omicron/Oklahoma, vice-president public relations, and Kelley Hurst, Beta Iota/Colorado, director of chapter services.

## BETA PHI/PENN STATE

Kristen MacMillan

Members of the Beta Phi Chapter are working hard to make a difference in the lives of local foster children. In November we presented 400 pairs of pajamas to the Centre County Board of Commissioners. We also collected hundreds of children's books, journals, and toi-

leties to be distributed among many Centre County social service agencies.

In fact, we spent the spring, summer and fall collecting, laundering, packaging and sorting pajamas. Local alumnae and the State College Presbyterian Church helped collect the new or gently used pajamas. Colgate-Palmolive Company and local dentists Dr. Derrill C. Finch and Dr. Linda Greenly-Finch donated hundreds of toothbrushes and tubes of toothpaste to help out the cause. Local Theta alumnae also knitted hats and slippers for the children. Other donors included the Wal-Mart Supercenter Store on North Atherton Place.

"This was truly a wonderful collaboration between the sisters, the Theta alumnae, and the community," said Amy Frank, philanthropy adviser.

## GAMMA DELTA/GEORGIA

Lindsay Potter

Last year, more than ever, the Gamma Delta Chapter stepped up to the plate and took CASA's call to action to heart. By hosting two fund-raisers that drew crowds into the night, Gamma Delta raised \$24,000.

Our spring 2009 fund-raiser boasted big barbecue and two bands. Each fraternity had the opportunity to prove its worth by electing a star member to compete in the eating contest. Picnic tables were lined up on the porch to provide optimum audience participation and, as the boys filed in, each was granted a tray of steaming hot barbecue. Not only did the victor walk away with an unscathed ego, he also took home a grill—necessary to practice for next year's eating show-down. It all proved to be a winning combination, earning \$10,000 for CASA.

Our more recent fund-raiser, hosted in November, met with even greater success with a total of \$14,000 earned. In order to prepare for the event, we ordered tie-dyed T-shirts sporting the long-running slogan "Rock the Casa," a chapter favorite for CASA fund-raising events. Each member wore her shirt around campus for promotion. With a band set up on the porch, as soon as dinner was polished off, people quickly got on their feet and did their best to truly rock the Theta casa.

## GAMMA ZETA/CONNECTICUT

Emily Fields

The Gamma Zeta Chapter proudly sponsored a softball tournament, Kats and Bats, in the late fall. Throughout the all-day event, we served the

*We are passionate about raising as much money and collecting as many needed items as possible for CASA."*

Michele Renz, BN/Florida State





players donated food to keep their energy levels high. Thetas served as umpires, coaches, and cheerleaders. Kats and Bats became a day of laughter and sisterhood bonding for us all.

The money raised at this event benefits CASA. This year we were fortunate enough to raise about \$1,500 for the children. Next year we look forward to raising even more money and encouraging new teams to join us for the event.

### **GAMMA UPSILON/MIAMI**

Chris Schultz, Executive Director, Butler County CASA

Members of the Gamma Upsilon Chapter have been busy fund-raising to help local abused and neglected children. They presented a check for \$1,700 to Butler County CASA in November, which will assist with the training and supervision of volunteer advocates. The chapter also involves their new members in learning about CASA with craft projects—they hand-paint tote bags which are given to the children by CASA volunteers.

Executive Director Chris Schultz remarked "We are so appreciative of the connection with the Thetas. Each year they are enthusiastic about raising funds for our CASA program and genuinely interested in assisting the CASA children. Several Thetas even take the time to enroll in the CASA training and work as CASA advocates even after they graduate."

### **GAMMA PSI/TCU**

Andrea Drusch

The Gamma Psi Chapter hosted the 13th annual Fall Breakaway 5K walk/run in October, raising almost \$25,000 for CASA of Tarrant County.

The race is hosted annually on TCU's family

weekend; participants include Fort Worth community members, TCU students and faculty, sponsored runners, and of course, Thetas from near and far. Gamma Psi was pleased to welcome seven members of the Mid-Cities Alumnae Chapter this year.

Aside from benefiting CASA, the Fall Breakaway honors Gamma Psi alumna Tracy Clark, who passed away 11 years ago. Tracy, a 1996 graduate of TCU, proposed the idea of a 5K run, and the first Fall Breakaway was held in 1997.

Two years later, Tracy was killed in a car accident. Her family and friends attend the Fall Breakaway each year in her honor.

Since Tracy's initial involvement in organizing the run, the fund-raiser has grown tremendously. More than 15,000 runners registered last year, the largest turnout yet. We now work with Luke's Locker to provide timing chips for competitive runners.

In 13 years, Gamma Psi has been able to donate more than \$145,000 to CASA from the run.

### **GAMMA OMEGA/AUBURN**

Kelsey Morrow

In step with the latest television craze, *America's Next Best Dance Crew* and *Dancing with the Stars*, members of the newly revived Gamma Omega Chapter hosted Theta Throwdown, a dance competition between campus Greek groups. This event not only raised money for CASA, but also spread the message of the amazing work done through CASA.

The first-ever Theta Throwdown proved to be a boogie-dancing success, raising \$5,000. Ninety percent of the money raised went to CASA, while the other ten percent went to the



Foundation. This is quite an accomplishment, especially considering this is Theta's first signature philanthropy event since returning to Auburn's campus just the previous semester.

## DELTA EPSILON/ARIZONA STATE

Grace Quinn

Faith and hope are what see us through the darkest of times; but even faith and hope can waver, and when that happens, it is the love and the charity of others that sustains us. Faith, hope, and love are what the children of CASA so desperately need and what we at Delta Epsilon work so hard to ensure they will never again have to go without.

We believe so much in the work of CASA that we are changing the very Arizona State philanthropy system. We know that everyone, not just members of Greek organizations, wants to help make the world a better place, so we opened our dodge ball tournament to the entire community. More than 40 teams participated, including other sororities and many clubs and organizations at ASU. Some fraternities even came with two teams! The result was more than \$9,000 raised in one day!

And we aren't stopping there! We regularly have CASA dinners at restaurants like Chili's and California Pizza Kitchen, where 20 percent of the bill goes to CASA when you say you're there supporting Kappa Alpha Theta.

CASA gives a voice to the voiceless and we work tirelessly to ensure that they may succeed. After all, "Love never fails," so neither will we.

## DELTA THETA/FLORIDA

Rachel Bevans

Every February, we pair with the brothers of Phi Delta Theta to put on the Ultimate Dodgeball Tournament. It is a day-long event in which fraternities, sororities, campus organizations, and even UF football players create teams and compete to win trophies and other prizes. Each organization hosts a team of 10 to represent them in the actual tournament, but awards are also given to the organization which raises the most money through T-shirt sales, penny voting, and attendance.

The dodgeball tournament is widely acknowledged as the highest-anticipated and most popular philanthropy at the University of Florida. In 2009, more than 1,200 students participated to create more than 60 co-ed teams that Theta sisters coached. The event is a fun-filled day for the UF Greek community, but more importantly, the 2009 tournament raised almost \$7,500 for CASA and Phi Delta Theta's philanthropy, the Lou Gehrig's Disease Foundation.

## DELTA PHI/CLEMSON

Bethany Richardson

The Delta Phi Chapter holds two philanthropy events each year, with the proceeds from at least one of them supporting CASA. For the past four years, our chapter has held the Charity Denim Jeans Sale. Our most recent sale yielded a donation of more than \$2,000. Last spring, we began a new philanthropy event: Kickin' It for CASA, a campus-wide kick-

ball tournament.

As a chapter we make several trips each semester to Helping Hands, a group home for children. Helping Hands provides a safe haven for children who are going through the family court system and currently have an unsafe home environment. It is extremely rewarding to be able to donate our time to these children, to play with them and give them individual attention they would have otherwise not receive regularly.

## EPSILON LAMBDA/DICKINSON

Alison Pipitone, PR Advisor

CASA is just one of the ways the Epsilon Lambda Chapter seeks to further these goals of the social, intellectual, and moral growth of each of its members as well as its devotion to service, scholarship, and leadership within its community.

Our signature philanthropy event—Rock the CASA—featured *American Idol* winner David Cook. We worked hard to organize, publicize, and attract students and members of the community to the concert last spring, and our efforts paid off! The show sold out, and \$3,000 was donated to Pennsylvania CASA from ticket sale proceeds.

We also organize an annual banquet honoring the new volunteers for the Cumberland County CASA chapter.

These two events are just a few of many that represent the dedication and commitment to CASA exemplified by the Epsilon Lambda Chapter, efforts which earned the chapter the prestigious CASA Voice award in 2007.

## EPSILON MU/PRINCETON

Tara Condon

In November, the Epsilon Mu Chapter hosted its second annual Cakes for CASA signature philanthropy event as part of the campus-wide parents' weekend festivities. Parents and guests joined the chapter in enjoying a delicious brunch (featuring pancakes!) and listened to a short presentation about the chapter's philanthropic efforts, CASA programs, and the special relationship between the two organizations. This event followed a silent auction, held the night before, which featured gift certificates from many local Princeton merchants. The events provided a great way for the chapter to connect with the Princeton community, as well as offered parents (especially the parents of new members) a great introduction to what Theta is all about. We raised \$2,500 for CASA of Mercer County!

## EPSILON PI/BUCKNELL

Chelsea Burghoff

This year, we strengthened our bonds with the Lycoming, Penn., CASA office by hosting the first Kicks for CASA kickball tournament at Bucknell University! More than 20 teams from various organizations on campus, including other Greek organizations, residence halls, sports teams, and student clubs, participated. Our chapter raised more than \$1,000 for Lycoming CASA as well as celebrated a day of CASA awareness on campus!

We also attended the Lycoming CASA annual board meeting to present appreciation coffee



Delta Kappa/Louisiana State organized a clothing and toy drive for CASA.



mugs made by the potential new members during our philanthropy recruitment round. These mugs help to show our support for the work of the advocates directly, something our chapter feels very strongly about expressing! We are so proud of our successes as a chapter this fall, and we look forward to our continued support of the Lycoming CASA branch and CASA as our Kappa Alpha Theta signature philanthropy in the future!

### **EPSILON OMEGA/WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON**

Tina Keefe, PR Advisor

The Epsilon Omega Chapter was contacted by the Washington County (Penn.) CASA office asking for volunteers for its fund-raiser, Chefs for CASA.

With information provided by CASA, chapter members gathered donations for a Chinese auction. In addition to putting together the auction baskets, chapter members volunteered the entire night of the event. For instance, they worked on setting up the event, event registration, selling raffle and Chinese auction tickets, monitoring the auction tables, assisting the servers at the event facility, going on stage to announce auction ticket winners, helping the auctioneer with the sale of live auction items, and cashing out purchases at the end of the evening.

A letter of thanks to the chapter read (in part), "It is always refreshing to work with a group who takes charge, understands instructions and goes for it. These girls were phenomenal and very generous with their commitment of time to help CASA for Kids."

As public relations advisor for the Epsilon Omega Chapter, I am extremely proud of their involvement in CASA-related events.

### **ZETA RHO/UC SAN DIEGO**

Anita Athavale

Last year marked our 10th annual philanthropy for CASA, KATwalk! Every year the Zeta Rho Chapter puts on a fashion show to benefit CASA. The show consists of models from all the fraternities, sororities, athletic teams, and six colleges of UCSD. With the help and donations of six different clothing boutiques and eight hair and make-up artists from Atelier Aucoin Hair Studios, we were able to have 84 stunning models strut down the KATwalk! Last year, we raised more than \$5,000 for CASA! The great part of this event is that it involves the entire campus community. As we prepare for our 11th annual KATwalk, we are excited to extend the invitation to the faculty and staff of UCSD to attend! KATwalk 2010 is quickly approaching, and so is the anticipation and excitement!

### **ZETA SIGMA/OHIO NORTHERN**

Christine Hoerig

Over the past two years, the Zeta Sigma Chapter has raised more than \$4,000 for CASA. Our three annual signature events include Comedians for CASA in the fall, a male beauty pageant entitled Mr. ONU in the winter, and Theta Twister, a giant twister tournament in the spring. In addition to these main events, our chapter also sponsors a multitude of other,

smaller events, including cookie sales following recruitment in the fall and kiss-o-gram sales in February for Valentines Day.

This year, we will also be making a quilt to donate to our local branch of CASA, celebrating Kappa Alpha Theta's 20 years with CASA. This quilt will feature T-shirts advertising philanthropy events from past years. Having a local branch of CASA so close to our campus allows raising money for CASA to be all the more rewarding, and provides our chapter with the opportunity to see the changes and differences we make in children's lives.

### **ETA ETA/COLLEGE OF IDAHO**

Candy Neher

The pinnacle of our service projects and our signature event is Mr. CASAnova, a tastefully done male beauty pageant, which occurs each spring. Pageant attendees are also encouraged to buy tickets for items that are donated by local businesses and are then raffled off between portions of the show. All of the funds raised by the pageant are given to Idaho's 3rd Judicial District CASA Program. This donation is the largest contribution Caldwell's CASA program receives each year.

Our chapter also supports local and surrounding CASA programs by making Halloween bags for the children, volunteering at Boise's annual Gingerbread Village Auction, and providing Easter eggs filled with candy for the children. This year we also sent an Eta Eta representative to the Forgotten Children's event. In addition, some of our sisters have chosen to intern and volunteer as guardian ad litem for our local CASA program.

Eta Eta is proud of the service we are able to provide to our local and surrounding CASA programs. We know that the funds our small chapter donates go to help the community in large ways.

### **ETA KAPPA/JOHN CARROLL**

Gina Fabian

We hosted our ninth annual male talent show, Mr. University, in November and raised more than \$1,750 for Lorain County's Court Appointed Special Advocates chapter, Voices for Children.

Nine contestants competed for the "crown," with talents from rapping to saxophone-playing to uni-cycling, to dancing, singing, and a comedy skit. Throughout the show, gifts from our generous local sponsors were raffled.

Four contestants proceeded to the question round. Questions included "Who is the most inspiring person in your life?" and "Do you consider yourself a giver or taker in life and why?" Reid Peirce, who performed a salsa dance, was crowned Mr. University. ♡

*To really serve in our community and see the appreciation that these children have for the attention and time we give them has been so rewarding."*

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